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Ref: H202002290

Dear Ms Wilson

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Ministry of Health (the Ministry) on 15 April 2020 for:

"Would you please be able to provide me with a list of the ethnicities and numbers of doctors of each ethnicity working in New Zealand.

In particular, I would like to know how many doctors there are of Czech ethnicity/origin and which district health board they are employed in."

Your request for this information is refused under section 18(g) of the Act as this information is not held by the Ministry or another agency subject to the Act.

However, you may wish to contact the Medical Council of New Zealand directly as they may be able to provide you with this information using the following email address: mcnz@mcnz.org.nz.

For your reference, information on the proportion of doctors broken down by ethnicity is outlined in the *New Zealand Medical Workforce in 2018* survey, which is publicly available on the Medical Council of New Zealand website:

https://www.mcnz.org.nz/assets/Publications/Workforce-Survey/434ee633ba/Workforce-Survey-Report-2018.pdf. Please note, this information was provided as part of the renewal of practising certificates.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision made on this request.

Yours sincerely

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