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Tanya

By email: [fyi-request-13175-ac2aa1fe@requests.fyi.org.nz](mailto:fyi-request-13175-ac2aa1fe@requests.fyi.org.nz)

Dear Tanya

### **Official Information Act request relating to hotels contracted for managed isolation**

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request of 29 June 2020 for the following information, received as a transfer from the Ministry of Health to the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) on 8 July 2020. As the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) is now the lead agency for the provision of Managed Isolation and Quarantine arrangements, MBIE has accepted this request in turn from DPMC:

*Can you please provide the names and locations of the hotels that are currently being used for managed isolation and quarantine facilities.*

*Do you have another list of hotels that are on standby or yet to be used as managed isolation facilities? If so, please provide those names/locations also.*

The current list of managed isolation facilities (MIFs) you have requested can be found on the Unite against Covid-19 website; therefore, I am refusing your request under section 18(d) of the Act as the information requested is publicly available. Please find a link to the relevant section of the Unite against Covid-19 website below.

<https://covid19.govt.nz/travel-and-the-border/border-restrictions/managed-isolation-and-quarantine/facility-names-and-locations/>

The list available on Unite against Covid-19 will be updated regularly when new facilities are utilised.

With respect to the second part of your request, if further facilities are required, there will be negotiations with further locations for potential use as MIFs. As soon as negotiations are finalised, the locations commence use as MIFs. As such, there is no list of hotels on standby, or yet to be used as MIFs. Your request is therefore refused under section 18(g)(i) of the Act, that the information requested is not held by the department or Minister of the Crown or organisation and the person dealing with the request has no grounds for believing that the information is either held by another department or Minister of the Crown or organisation, or by a local authority.

Ombudsman of this response decision under section 28(3) of the Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D Webb', written in a cursive style.

On behalf of Air Commodore Darryn Webb  
Head of Managed Isolation and Quarantine  
**COVID-19 All of Government Response Group**