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Lobby New Zealand

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Dear Lobby New Zealand

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) which was partially transferred from Auckland District Health Board (DHB) on 24 March 2021 for:

"Request details about the communications between the Ministry of Health and COVID-19 cases L, M, N, and O in the February 14 2021 cluster (Valentine's Day cluster). Specifically, what messages/communications, and how many, were sent to these cases listed regarding self isolation before and after testing."

The Ministry of Health did not contact any of these cases as they were managed by Auckland Regional Public Health Service (ARPHS). I understand you have made the same request to ARPHS through Auckland DHB therefore a transfer is not necessary. You can expect a response in due course.

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: <u>info@ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or by calling 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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