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Dear Kyle Church

Thank you for your email of 12 April 2021 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

“all correspondence regarding: cannabis policy or the issue of cannabis in New Zealand; between the Minister of MBIE, or employees of the Ministry, and the Food and Grocery Council, or people acting on their behalf.”

I am refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Act as the information you requested does not exist. Officials conducted a thorough search of MBIE's document management system, which returned no results. Following this, we contacted individual teams we believed may hold the relevant information, all of which confirmed that they do not hold any information in scope of your request.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. 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

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