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Lobby New Zealand

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Dear Lobby New Zealand

Thank you for your email of 15 April 2021 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following:

"Today we are requesting for all communications between the April COVID-19 cluster's Case B (MIQ security officer) and any relevant ministry or employer regarding the testing of Case B.

Specifically, Case B's communications explaining why they were not tested for up to five months."

The information you seek is part of an active investigation into the actions of Case B. Releasing any information, including correspondence, would be inappropriate and likely interfere with the process.

Therefore, the Ministry is withholding the requested information in full under section 6(c) of the Act, as making the information available would likely prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation, and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial.

While we are withholding this information at this moment, once the investigation is closed, the information may then be released if an OIA request were made.

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 or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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