Office of the Prime Minister

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Dear Paul Jones

Official Information Act request COVID-19 Vaccination Plan Propaganda Brochure

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), received on 3 May 2021. I am responding on the Prime Minister's behalf as my official duties involve responding to requests made under the Act to the Prime Minister. You requested:

- "1) Provide documentation outlining all the safety steps the COVID-19 vaccines are evaluated against.
- 2) Its claimed no shortcuts have been taken but the propaganda brochure does not outline that these vaccines have only been approved under 'emergency use'. Please clarify the differences ('shortcuts') between approval for emergency use and the regular approval that an MMR vaccine had to go through?
- 3) Please provide documentation for the criteria that enables Medsafe to determine what is considered 'safe'.
- 4) Please provide documentation for the criteria that enables Medsafe to determine what is considered 'effective'."

This office does not hold the requested information and I believe it is held by the Ministry of Health. Accordingly, I have decided under section 14(b)(i) of the Act to transfer your request to the Ministry of Health.

The Ministry of Health has 20 working days from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

Yours sincerely

Raj Nahna Chief of Staff