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Ref: PMO 2021-350

Dear A. J. Sheppard

Official Information Act request for correspondence with the Administrator of Tokelau regarding their COVID-19 vaccination programme

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, partially transferred from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet on 26 November 2021. You requested:

*"1) Has the Prime Minister or any Cabinet Ministers had contact with the administrator of Tokelau regarding covid 19 or the covid 19 vaccination program in Tokelau?
2) I request copies of any correspondence involving covid 19 and Tokelau's covid 19 vaccine rollout/ plan between the Prime Minister and the administrator of Tokelau between 1st May 2021 and 31st August 2021."*

Correspondence, as it relates to other Cabinet Ministers has been transferred to those Offices, therefore please note that this response is only on behalf of the Prime Minister and what this office may hold in scope of your request.

There are no written communications that fall in scope of your request. There was a discussion between the Prime Minister and the Administrator of Tokelau relating to vaccines in Tokelau. No minutes or records were kept of this discussion.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

Yours sincerely

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Raj Nahna
Chief of Staff