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Dear Mr Yeates

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request of 11 August 2014 under the Official Information Act 1982 for '*information relating to experimentation on Māori communities prior to the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975*'.

The Ministry of Health is not aware of any records of experimentation on Māori communities. Therefore, I am refusing your request under section 18(g) of the Act as this information is not held by the Ministry.

You may wish to contact Archives New Zealand directly about public records from before 1975, as it is the official guardian of New Zealand's public archives. Information about Archives New Zealand's services can be found on its website (www.archives.govt.nz).

You have the right to complain to the Ombudsman about my decision on this request. Information about making a complaint is on the website of the Office of the Ombudsman (www.ombusman.parliament.nz). The Office can also be contacted on freephone 0800 902 602.

Yours sincerely



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