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Reference: OIA-2021/22-1164

Dear Erika Whittome

**Official Information Act request for emails between the Prime Minister and Cabinet Ministers and several academics**

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), received on 28 March 2022.

You requested:

*"I would like to copies of all emails from and to the following individuals on all work domain emails such as Auckland University, IMAC, WHO, CDC or any domain named email which is used for working purpose no matter the role or title or function performed by the same name.*

*This request is for all emails between the Prime Minister and all her Cabinet staff to the following academic individuals:*

*Email Accounts*

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*Nikki Turner*

*Souxsie Wiles*

*Michael Baker*

*Nick Wilson*

*Shaun Hendy*

*Kate Hannah*

*Helen Petousis-Harris*

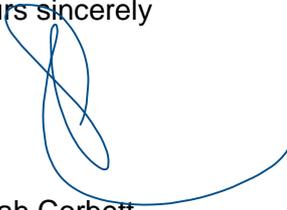
*The date range is from 1 Jan 2020 until 28th Mar 2022 (today when this request is logged)"*

I believe that the information you have requested is more closely connected to the functions of the Prime Minister, Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern. Accordingly, I have decided under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act to transfer your request to the Prime Minister.

I have also extended the time limits of your request by an additional one working day in order to make this transfer. The extension was necessary in order to undertake consultations on the transfer of your request.

The Prime Minister has the usual timeframes under the Act from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

Yours sincerely



Sarah Corbett  
**Manager, Ministerial and Business Services**