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Tēnā koe Scott

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to Manatū Hauora (the Ministry of Health) on 5 October 2022 for information regarding the COVID-19 Technical Advisory Group. You requested:

"Copies of the minutes of all meetings held by the COVID-19 Technical Advisory Group, dated since the beginning of this year."

Manatū Hauora has identified 8 documents within scope of your request. All documents are itemised in Appendix 1 and copies of the documents are enclosed. Where information is withheld under section 9 of the Act, I have considered the countervailing public interest in release in making this decision and consider that it does not outweigh the need to withhold at this time.

I trust this information fulfils your request. Under section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Manatū Hauora website at: www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests.

Nāku noa, nā



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Appendix 1: List of documents for release

#	Date	Document details	Decision on release
1	28 January 2022	COVID-19 Technical Advisory Group minutes	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(k) to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or advantage.
2	25 February 2022	COVID-19 Technical Advisory Group minutes	
3	25 March 2022	COVID-19 Technical Advisory Group minutes	
4	20 May 2022	COVID-19 Technical Advisory Group minutes	
5	17 June 2022	COVID-19 Technical Advisory Group minutes	
6	15 July 2022	COVID-19 Technical Advisory Group minutes	
7	12 August 2022	COVID-19 Technical Advisory Group minutes	
8	9 September 2022	COVID-19 Technical Advisory Group minutes	