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Dear Colin

Thank you for your email of 24 November 2022 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

“... Could you please furnish me a list of ALL official visits by yourself to emergency motels in the last 12 months?”

As Minister of Housing, I am not responsible for emergency housing other than the 13 motels contracted in Rotorua for the emergency housing pilot. Generally emergency housing is a matter for my colleague Hon Carmel Sepuloni, Minister for Social Development and Employment.

As you are likely aware COVID-19 restrictions have prevented visits to housing facilities for much of the last 12 months. However, on 25 August 2022 I visited the Rotovegas Motel. This motel is one of the 13 contracted emergency housing motels in Rotorua.

My Ministerial diary is published on the Beehive website at www.beehive.govt.nz/minister/hon-dr-megan-woods.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Megan Woods', with a large loop at the end.

Hon Dr Megan Woods
Minister of Housing