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Our ref: OIA 115957

Tēnā koe Chris

Official Information Act request: COVID-19 vaccine data

Thank you for your email of 17 September 2024 to the Ministry of Justice (the Ministry), requesting under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), information about the alleged release of COVID-19 vaccine data by Barry Young. Specifically, you requested:

- 1. Initial Assessment completed by Ministry of Justice evaluating the credibility of the data including requesting and analyzing the data. Please include who at Ministry of Justice was tasked with this job if an assessment has not be done why not?
- 2. Subject to above please outline Investigations taken / taking place and the scope associated.
- 3. Please provide all correspondence by the people notified of data breach including any and all emails/notes/memos/minutes that the personnel have been included on.

Ultimately, I want to see all of the steps Ministry of Justice have done to verify / investigate the data which implicates numerous government agencies in crimes against kiwis.

A response to your request is being prepared. However, due to the need for external consultation, a response cannot be made within the original time limit. Accordingly, I am extending the time limit for response by 20 working days under section 15A of the Act, and will respond to you on, or by 14 November. I apologise for any inconvenience this delay may cause you.

If you require any further information, please contact Media & Social Media Manager Joe Locke at media@justice.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with this extension, you have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. The Office of the Ombudsman may be contacted by email to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by phone on 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

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