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Dear Robert Harrison

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request of 4 January 2017 under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) for

Under the OIA, I request all information, documentation, costings, advice sought & provided, correspondence between suppliers, manufacturers, pharmacy wholesalers, regarding the management of supply of Stelazine (trifluoperazine).

I also request all documentation & advise received/sought from patients, customers, MPs, pharmacists/pharmacies, doctors, nurses/all health care professionals regarding the supply of Stelazine (trifluoperazine) in recent times. The names/addresses can be blanked out.

The information you have requested is not held by the Ministry of Health. Therefore we are refusing your request in reliance of section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 (The Act):

because the document that contains the information requested does not exist.

For a request of this nature, the Ministry of Health would normally transfer your request to Pharmac. In discussing this request with Pharmac, they have informed us that they already have this request from you and are preparing a response. Accordingly, we will not be transferring the request to them.

You have the right, under section 28 of the Act, to contest the decision to refuse your request by seeking an investigation and review of that decision by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

The Ombudsman Office of the Ombudsman PO Box 10-152 Wellington 6143

Yours sincerely

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