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Ref: H201900435

Dear Mr Barnes

Response to your request for official information

I refer to your request of 9 February 2019 to the Ministry of Health (the Ministry), under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), for:

"Are any blood plasma products manufactured in China authorised for use, or are in use in New Zealand (immunoglobulins etc)?"

On 14 February 2019, the Ministry advised you that your request may be refused under section 18(f) of the Act, as the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research. The Ministry requested for you to refine your request.

At the time of writing, the Ministry has not had a response from you in relation to this refinement request. As such, your request is refused under section 18(f) of the Act.

You have the right, under section 28 of the Act, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to refuse your request.

Yours sincerely

Nick Allan

Manager OIA Services

Office of the Director-General