



15 October 2021

Kiwi

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Reference: OIA-2021/22-0366

Dear Kiwi

Official Information Act request for the purchase and supply agreement with Pfizer

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act (the Act), received on 1 October 2021. You requested:

"...we request the purchase and supply agreement between pfizer and NZ government for the covid 19 vaccines..And any other contracts relating to covid 19 vaccines with other companies. We request the contract which ever its title that the NZ government agreed to with pfizer or bio N Tech for covid 19 vaccines"

The Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet does not hold any information related to the purchase and supply agreements between the Government and manufacturers of COVID-19 vaccines.

The information you have requested is more closely connected to the functions of the Ministry of Health. Normally, I would transfer your request to the Ministry of Health under section 14(b)(ii). However, as you have already made this request to the Ministry of Health, I do not believe a transfer is necessary at this time.

I am, therefore, refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Act, as the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

In making my decision, I have taken the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the Act into account.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

We do not intend to publish this response on the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's website.

Yours sincerely

Cheryl Barnes
Deputy Chief Executive, COVID-19 Group