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Ref: OIA-2022/23-0191

Dear Scott

**Official Information Act request relating to the review of the government's Omicron response**

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received on 3 October 2022. You requested:

*“ONE: A copy of the “rapid review” completed by the COVID-19 Independent Continuous Review, Improvement and Advice Group and scheduled to be submitted to the COVID-19 response minister by the end of May ...*

*TWO: A copy of the DPMC report scheduled to be submitted to the COVID-19 Chief Executives Board by the end of June which summarised the outcomes of an “Omicron lesson capture workshop” held in May ...*

*THREE: A copy of the report referred to as “Lessons from the Omicron Response to date – June 2022” on page 57 of this document released by DPMC (minutes of the 28 June 2022 meeting of CCB), if it is different to the report I asked for in part Two*

*FOUR: A copy of this report or briefing - [DPMC-2021/22-2518]: “Lessons from the Omicron Response to Date” dated 18 July 2022, if it is different from any of the documents I have requested above.”*

The two documents in the table below are covered by your request. I note that Parts Three and Four of your request refer to the document you have asked for in Part Two.

Document title	Date
Lessons from the Response to Omicron to Inform the Future	20 May 2022
Lessons from the Omicron Response so far – June 2022	18 July 2022

These documents are publicly available on the Unite against COVID-19 website through the following address: [covid19.govt.nz/about-our-covid-19-response/proactive-releases/independent-advisory-groups/#covid-19-independent-continuous-review-improvement-and-advice-gr](https://covid19.govt.nz/about-our-covid-19-response/proactive-releases/independent-advisory-groups/#covid-19-independent-continuous-review-improvement-and-advice-gr)

Therefore, your request is refused under section 18(d) of the Act as the information requested is publicly available.

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K Casey', written in a cursive style.

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