



18 December 2023

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Ref: OIA-2023/24-0350

Dear M Bell

Official Information Act request for Cabinet Minutes relating to the COVID-19 vaccine

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act (the Act), received on 7 December 2023. You requested:

“Can you please release the following documents, of course appropriately redacted where warranted.

CAB-20-MIN-0229.01

CAB-20-MIN-0382

CAB-20-MIN-0504

CAB-20-MIN-0508 ”

I believe the information you have requested is more closely connected with the functions of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) and the Ministry of Business, Innovations & Employment (MBIE).

The document: CAB-20-MIN-0504 is more closely connected with the functions of MFAT. Accordingly, I have decided to transfer this part of your request to MFAT under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act.

The following documents are more closely connected with the functions of MBIE. Accordingly, I have decided to transfer this part of your request to MBIE under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act.

- CAB-20-MIN-0229.01
- CAB-20-MIN-0508

Regarding CAB-20-MIN-0382, this document is publicly available on the following website: <https://covid19.govt.nz/assets/Proactive-Releases/proactive-release-2020-october/HR02-CABINET-PAPER-AND-MINUTE-COVID-19-vaccine-strategy-10-August-2020.pdf>.

Accordingly, I am refusing this part your request under section 18(d) of the Act as the information requested is publicly available.

MFAT and MBIE have the usual timeframes under the Act from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

Yours sincerely

Amy Teague
Manager Ministerial Services