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By email: fyi-request-28646-6a17eb9b@requests.fyi.org.nz
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Tēnā koe P Robins

Partial transfer of your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Ministry of Health - Manatū Hauora (the Ministry) on 4 October 2024. You requested:

"I am writing to formally request all communications related to the independent advice referenced and released to the media by the Associate Minister of Health concerning the excise reduction for heated tobacco products. This request encompasses communications within the Ministry as well as between the Associate Minister and her office and the Ministry, including between Ministry executives and staff and the Minister, political staff and departmental private secretaries. Communications pertaining to articles that were identified but not released should also be included."

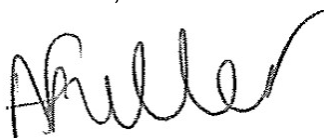
I am advised that this information is held by the Office of the Associate Minister of Health, Hon Casey Costello. For this reason, I have decided to transfer your request to their office under section 14(b)(i) of the Act. You can expect a response from the Minister's office in due course.

The Ministry will address your request for its internal communications in due course.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact the OIA Services Team on: oiagr@health.govt.nz.

Under section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, na



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COPY OF OIA REQUEST

From: P Robins <fyi-request-28646-6a17eb9b@requests.fyi.org.nz>

Sent: Friday, 4 October 2024 08:15

To: OIA Requests <oiagr@health.govt.nz>

Subject: Official Information request - Communications relating to excise reduction for heated tobacco products

Dear Ministry of Health,

I am writing to formally request all communications related to the independent advice referenced and released to the media by the Associate Minister of Health concerning the excise reduction for heated tobacco products.

This request encompasses communications within the Ministry as well as between the Associate Minister and her office and the Ministry, including between Ministry executives and staff and the Minister, political staff and departmental private secretaries. Communications pertaining to articles that were identified but not released should also be included.

To clarify, "communications" refers to all forms of electronic and written correspondence, including but not limited to emails, text messages, messaging apps (such as Teams, WhatsApp, Signal, Slack, and Telegram), and handwritten notes (such as notebooks, meeting minutes, or post-it notes).

Yours faithfully,

P Robins