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Dear Mr Chandler

**Your Official Information Act request (OIA Reference 18/19-0070)**

Thank you for your email of 26 July 2018 to the Ministry of Health requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), information regarding the Government Inquiry into Mental Health and Addiction (the Inquiry). On 2 August 2018 parts 3 and 4 of your request were transferred to the Department of Internal Affairs:

“3. *What Remuneration are the members of inquiry receiving?*”

“4. *What is the life span of the inquiry?*”

I can confirm that the information within the scope of your request is publicly available online at: [www.mentalhealth.inquiry.govt.nz](http://www.mentalhealth.inquiry.govt.nz). The Cabinet paper, entitled *Establishing the Government Inquiry into Mental Health and Addiction*, is located in the ‘terms of reference’ section, under the ‘about’ tab. The Cabinet paper contains information about remuneration and length of the inquiry. I am therefore refusing your request, pursuant to section 18(d) of the Act, as the information is publicly available.

If you are dissatisfied with this response you have the right to seek an investigation and review of this decision by an Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. The contact address is: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Thank you again for your email.

Yours sincerely

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