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Ref. CHOIA051

Dear John

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) on 13 April 2021 for:

*“(a) the titles of all papers you have taken to Cabinet, or any Cabinet Committee, which are either solely about, or incorporate content relating to, the topic of how a person might provide proof or certification of either having been vaccinated against Covid-19, or otherwise having Covid-19 antibodies.*

*(b) the dates on which each of the papers identified within (a) above were taken to Cabinet or Cabinet Committee.*

*(c) the date on which you intend to publish each of the papers identified within (a) above, in line with Cabinet Office Circular 18(4).”*

My office has not received any briefings or documentation within the scope of your request, and I have not taken any papers to Cabinet on this subject. For this reason, I am refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Act, as the information requested does not exist.

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](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by calling 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'CH' followed by a flourish.

**Chris Hipkins**  
**Minister for COVID-19 Response**