



17 August 2021

Lional Jones

By email: fyi-request-16326-515e50c4@requests.fyi.org.nz

Reference: OIA-2021/22-0089

Dear Lional Jones

Official Information Act request for COVID-19 vaccine and mask requirements for Diplomatic Protection Service and Crown drivers

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act (the Act), received on 6 August 2021. You requested:

“ Can you please advise details of any Covid-19 vaccination and mask use requirements, policies or “Standard Operating Procedures” (SOPs) for members of the DPS and the crown limo driver while on duty with the Prime Minister. Can you also please provide any memos, emails or other official communications that developed any of the requirements, policies or SOPs specific to the DPS and crown limo drivers.”

I believe that the information you have requested is more closely connected with the functions of the Department of Internal Affairs (information relating to Crown drivers) and the New Zealand Police (information relating to the Diplomatic Protection Service). Accordingly, I have decided under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act to transfer your request to the Department of Internal Affairs and New Zealand Police.

Both the Department of Internal Affairs and the New Zealand Police have the usual timeframes under the Act from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Corbett
Manager Ministerial and Business Services