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Tēnā koe Kelly

## Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your requests to the Ministry of Health (the Ministry) under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) on 14 September 2021.

On 15 September 2021, the Ministry provided you with a spreadsheet for the COVID-19 Pfizer Comirnaty vaccine which details the ingredients and the consumer information sheet.

You replied on 16 September 2021 asking about information relating to euthanasia medications. You may wish to see your correspondence at: https://fyi.org.nz/request/16755-euthanasia-drugs#incoming-62850.

Between 14 September and 16 September 2021, the Ministry received several amendments to earlier requests as well as new requests for information. Under the Act, the Ministry considers that in this case that multiple requests should be treated as a single request due to their frequency and the similarity of the subject matter.

Many parts of your correspondence are difficult to understand or interpret and lack the due particularity required by section 12. Therefore, your request is refused in full under section 18(h) of the Act on the basis that the request is frivolous.

However, the Ombudsman provides guidance on how to make requests at: <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz/resources/making-official-information-requests-guide-requesters">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz/resources/making-official-information-requests-guide-requesters</a>. The Ministry also has information on our website about making requests at: <a href="https://www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/contact-us/official-information-act-requests">www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/contact-us/official-information-act-requests</a>. The Ministry remains willing to engage with you on making a request under the Act.

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: <a href="mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz">info@ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> or by calling 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

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