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Tēnā koe Melissa

On 15 October 2021, the Office of the Prime Minister transferred your request for the following information to New Zealand Police for response:

 Prosecutions as a result of the exposure events where it was not compliant with level 4.

There is no specific offence in relation to 'exposure events'.

For the purposes of this response, I have considered all offences that relate to the COVID-19 Public Health Response Act 2020 (and underlying Orders) and an offence in Health Act 1956 Section 72(a) (Obstruct/Hinder Medical Officer of Health or Person Assisting Medical Officer).

New Zealand was at Alert Level 4 between 18 August and 31 August 2021. Northland was at Alert Level 4 between 18 August and 2 September 2021, Auckland (Police districts Auckland City, Counties Manukau, and Waitematā) was at Alert Level 4 between 18 August and 7 September 2021.

In relation to the dates and locations where Alert Level 4 was operating, Police has filed 221 prosecution charges.

Yours sincerely

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