



17 January 2024

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Dear James Webb

Official Information Act request relating to Minister Reti's conflicts of interest and the Therapeutic Products Act (2023)

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), received on 10 December 2023. You requested:

“ I request all information including emails, meeting minutes, memos and recollections of discussions between Christopher Luxon, Winston Peters and David Seymour on the decision to appoint Shane Reti as Minister of Health. Specifically, I wish to know what was discussed of Mr Reti's pecuniary interests in Reti Holdings Limited, Whangarei Doctors Limited, and Primecare Kensington Services Limited.

I request all information including emails, meeting minutes, memos and recollections of discussions between Christopher Luxon and Shane Reti regarding Mr Reti's pecuniary interests in Reti Holdings Limited, Whangarei Doctors Limited, and Primecare Kensington Services Limited.

I request all written communication received by Christopher Luxon from Shane Reti regarding conflicts of interest.

I request all communications, including emails, texts, and signal messages Christopher Luxon has received and sent since July 2023 regarding the Government's commitment to repeal the Therapeutic Products Act (2023). ”

On 21 December 2023, we wrote to you advising that the parts of your request regarding Minister Reti and conflicts of interest were more closely connected to the functions of the Prime Minister, Rt Hon Christopher Luxon. As such, we transferred that part of your request to the Prime Minister, in accordance with section 14(b)(ii) of the Act.

The second aspect of your request, regarding communications received and sent by the Prime Minister on the repeal of the Therapeutic Products Act (2023), should have also been transferred to the Prime Minister for response. This is because a request for communications held by the Prime Minister is more closely connected to the functions of the Prime Minister. I am therefore extending the time for transfer, in accordance with 15A, and am transferring the parts of your request about the Therapeutic Products Act to the Prime Minister, in accordance with section 14(b)(ii) of the Act.

Please accept my apology for not communicating this sooner. It was initially thought that the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet may have oversight over potential material in scope of this part of your request. Upon further review, we have determined it is more appropriate that this question is answered by the Prime Minister.

Your request will now be responded in full by the Prime Minister. The Prime Minister has the usual timeframes under the Act from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

Yours sincerely



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Manager, Ministerial Services