

Reference: 20210534

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Dear David

Thank you for your Official Information Act request, received on 12 November 2021.
You requested:

any correspondence between Treasury and any DHBs or the Minister of Health which discusses delays in releasing funds for the purpose of paying lump sums/pay equity for nurses.

Please limit this to any correspondence within the last month.

Information to be withheld

There is one document covered by your request that I have decided to withhold in full under the following sections of the Official Information Act:

- section 9(2)(j) - to enable a Minister of the Crown or any public service agency or organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations), and
- section 9(2)(f)(iv) – to maintain the current constitutional conventions protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials]

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) and enclosed documents may be published on the Treasury website.

This reply addresses the information you requested. You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision.

Yours sincerely



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Manager, Health