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Tēnā koe Stuart

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to Manatū Hauora (the Ministry of Health) on 13 October 2023. You requested:

“Did Jason Mamoā apply for an exemption from providing his COVID-19 vaccination status in order to enter the country during the period of 2020-2022? Was this exemption granted? What considerations were given to whether such an exemption should be granted or not (that would differ in any way from another non-citizen wishing to visit a sick family member for example).”

Information regarding your request is withheld in full under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons. I have considered the countervailing public interest in releasing information and consider that it does not outweigh the need to withhold at this time.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact the OIA Services Team on: oiagr@health.govt.nz.

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: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā



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