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Dear Matthew Hooton

Official Information Act request for Covid-19 Cabinet Papers

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received on 4 October 2021. You requested:

please provide me with copies of all Cabinet papers and other written material considered at that meeting relevant to the Covid announcements.

In accordance with Cabinet Office circular CO (18) 4: *Proactive Release of Cabinet Material: Updated Requirements*, the information you have requested is due to be proactively released on the Unite Against COVID-19 website (covid19.govt.nz/alert-levels-and-updates/proactive-releases/) in the coming weeks. Accordingly, I have decided to refuse your request for this information under section 18(d) of the Act – as the information requested will soon be publicly available.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

We do not intend to publish this response on the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's website.

Yours sincerely

Ruth Fairhall
Head of Strategy & Policy