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Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Extension of time for responding to your request for official information - ref: H202005454

Kia ora Wendy McGuinness

Thank you for your request for official information, received on 23 July 2020 requesting:

1. *Can you advise when the MoH webpage that records the composition of the NRS will be updated? Your response to the previous OIA stated that 'the page on National Reserve Supply (NRS) is being reviewed and will be updated by the end of May 2020'. Furthermore, can you explain why this has been delayed?*
2. *Are there any standards and/or regulations in place for those purchasing and/or manufacturing PPE in New Zealand? If applicable, please direct us to the standards and/or regulations for PPE that have been adopted when procuring PPE? In addition, are DHBs and the MoH required to meet these standards when procuring PPE?*
3. *In addition to PPE, are there standards for the contents of hand sanitiser? We have been advised there are products currently on the market that are listed as having antibacterial properties, but do not contain the necessary chemicals to destroy the coronavirus.*
4. *If there are standards, has an audit been undertaken of all existing inventory against those standards for inventory held (i) by the MoH and (ii) by each DHB? If yes, can you please provide a copy of the audit results? If no, can you advise why this was not deemed necessary?*
5. *Please advise whether there is an updated pandemic plan, or whether the government is looking to update the 2017 New Zealand Influenza Pandemic Plan A framework for action?*
6. *Can we please have a breakdown of PPE purchased by MoH from New Zealand manufacturers by (i) type of PPE and (ii) name of manufacturer since January 2020 to 30 July 2020?*
7. *What amount and type of PPE was acquired by the MoH from the group mentioned in this article(see link here) (i.e. Graeme Hart, Sir Stephen Tindall, Craig Heatley, Nick Mowbray and Sam Morgan)? Can you also provide the costs and timing of the procurement? Lastly, can you please confirm whether the PPE was acquired at cost from overseas sources (as specified in the article linked above)?*

If possible, please provide any links to reports or other sources used to answer the above questions.

The Ministry of Health has decided to extend the period of time available to respond to your request under section 15A of the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) as further consultation is required.

You can now expect a response to your request on, or before, **27 August 2020**.

You have the right, under section 28 of the Act, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to extend the time available to respond to your request.

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