



Te Kawa Mataaho

Public Service Commission

17 March 2025

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Official Information Request

Our Ref: PSCR 2025-0163

I refer to your official information request received 17 February 2025 for:

“Copies of all correspondence (including but not limited to emails, letters, and memoranda) between:

- 1. The Prime Minister (and/or his office)*
- 2. The Minister of Finance (and/or her office)*
- 3. The Public Service Commission / Commissioner*

Concerning the recent resignations of the following individuals from their respective positions at the Ministry of Health / Health New Zealand:

- The Director-General of Health*
- The Chief Executive of Health New Zealand*
- The Director of Public Health at Health New Zealand*

Where a document that falls under scope of this request cannot be released, please supply a summary of that document’s contents. Where any document falls under the scope of this request, please release it in full, including sections which might otherwise be considered out of scope}.”

Our response

Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission does not hold any correspondence between the Prime Minister (and/or his office), the Minister of Finance (and/or her office) and the Public Service Commission / Commissioner concerning the recent resignations of the Director-General of Health, the Chief Executive of Health New Zealand or the Director of Public Health at Health New Zealand.

Accordingly, I am refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 on the grounds the information requested does not exist.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Enquiries@publicservice.govt.nz.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that we intend to publish this letter (with your personal details removed) on the Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission's website.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nicky Dirks', with a stylized, cursive script.

Nicky Dirks

Manager – Ministerial and Executive Services
Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission