Subject: OIA 2024/25: Ministry of Health COVID-19 Situation Reports

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Kia ora,

Our OIA 2024/25: Ministry of Health COVID-19 Situation Reports

We are in the process of updating the second edition of our <u>COVID-19 Nation Dates book</u>. As part of this process, we have referred to the COVID-19 situation reports that were prepared by the Ministry of Health between 21 January 2020 and 20 November 2020.

We have used a webpage published by the Ministry of Health (see here) to reference these but have noted that the webpage does not state who the situation reports were made available to. This leads us to the following three questions of clarification:

Question 1: Could you please list all of the government officials and/or departments (including Crown entities) that the MOH COVID-19 situation reports were distributed to? Positions rather than names are fine.

Question 2: Were the MOH COVID-19 situation reports distributed to non-governmental entities? If yes, please list.

Question 3: Were COVID-19 situation reports used beyond 20 November 2020? If yes, please clarify the time periods and who these reports were prepared by and who they were distributed to. If no, were they replaced by any other means of communicating the same content? Please clarify.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or points of clarification.

Many thanks,

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