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Ref: OIA-2025/26-0291

Tēnā koe ,

**Official Information Act request relating to Pharmaceutical ties, donations, and media bias**

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, received on 1 November 2025. You requested:

*"[1] So, under the OIA, who in Parliament, both elected and non-elected appointed Civil Servants, holds company stock options in pharmaceutical companies?"*

*[2] Which pharmaceutical companies have made campaign and electoral donations to ministers who support 'mandatory' vaccinations? How much in campaign donations have they received both for Covid Vaccines and the current campaign pushing for MMR Vaccines?"*

*[3] Who are the Ministers and non-appointed Civil Servants pushing for this totalitarian agenda of using the BSA as an enforcement arm to stifle accurate truth and information?"*

*[4] Why are taxpayer-funded State Media (TVNZ, RNZ) still being weaponised against the truth using extreme prejudice and biased broadcasting in favour of the pharmaceutical companies and the Elected Representatives and appointed Civil Servants in government who seem to be benefitting from the campaign to derail the truth related to adverse vaccine events ranging from mild reactions to death?"*

For ease of reference, we have numbered the parts of your request. Please note the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) can only respond to your request insofar as it is for information held by us.

If you are seeking information that you believe may be held by another agency, you may wish to consider making a request directly to that agency (if you have not done so already). A comprehensive directory of government agencies and their contact information can be found on the Ministry of Justice's website: <https://www.justice.govt.nz/about/directory-of-official-information/directory-of-official-information-search-tool/>.

**Part 1**

All elected Members of Parliament (MPs) are required to make an annual return of their pecuniary and other specified personal interests, as set out in clauses 5 to 8 of Appendix B of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives.

The 2025 Register of Pecuniary and Other Specified Interests of Members of Parliament is available at this link: <https://www3.parliament.nz/en/mps-and-electoralates/members-financial-interests/2025-register-of-pecuniary-and-other-specified-interests-of-members-of-parliament/>. As such, I am refusing this aspect of your question under section 18(d) of the Act – the information is publicly available.

We have interpreted the second aspect of this question as referring to the pecuniary interests of non-elected public servants who work in Parliament. Public servants working at Parliament are employed by a range of different agencies and organisations, and there is no central register of their pecuniary interests. Therefore, I am refusing this part of your question under section 18(g) of the Act.

Individual agencies and departments may hold some relevant information as it relates to their employees and contractors. You are welcome to make requests under the Act to these organisations, and may find the Directory of Official Information referred to above useful in this regard: <https://www.justice.govt.nz/about/directory-of-official-information/directory-of-official-information-search-tool/>.

You may also be interested in the code of conduct that the Public Service Commission provides to Ministerial staff working at Parliament who are employed by the Department of Internal Affairs. This document is available at the following link: <https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/guidance/code-of-conduct-for-ministerial-staff>.

### **Parts 2 and 3**

I am refusing parts [2] and [3] of your request under section 18(g) of the Act as DPMC does not hold any information related to these parts of your request, and I have no grounds for believing that it is either held by, or more closely connected to the functions of, another department, Minister of the Crown or organisation subject to the Act.

Concerning part 2, you may be interested in the register of political parties' annual returns, which includes the donations and loans they get each year. This register is maintained and published by the Electoral Commission, and the 2024 list is available at this link: <https://elections.nz/democracy-in-nz/political-parties-in-new-zealand/party-donations-and-loans-by-year/>.

### **Part 4**

Finally, concerning part [4], I do not believe the information requested meets the definition of "official information" under section 2 of the Act. This part of your request is therefore also refused under section 18(g) of the Act.

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

This response will be published on the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's website during our regular publication cycle. Typically, information is released monthly, or as otherwise determined. Your personal information including name and contact details will be removed for publication.

Nāku noa, nā



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