

Dear [REDACTED]

### **DECISION ON YOUR ACCESS APPLICATION**

I refer to your application under section 30 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (FOI Act), received originally by the Minister's Office and then transferred under Section 57, to the ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD) on **Wednesday 7 July 2021**.

This application requested access to:

*'Details about the quarantine of Prime Minister Scott Morrison upon is return to Australia following his recent trip to the G7 summit, inclusive of personal visits to family locations and the pub. I would like to request information relating to 1. The details of PM Morrison's exemption from ACT Health to transit through ACT to quarantine at Canberra 2. Total cost for the 14 days quarantine and who paid (the public or PM Morrison personally) 3. A list of meals prepared for and served to PM Morrison during the quarantine period.'*

I am an Information Officer appointed by the Director General of ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD) under section 18 of the FOI Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the Act. ACTHD was required to provide a decision on your access application by **Wednesday 4 August 2021**.

#### **Decision on access**

Searches were completed for the relevant documents and I have identified one document holding the information within scope of your access application. I have decided to grant partial access to the one document.

My access decisions are detailed further in the following statement of reasons and the document released to you is provided as Attachment A to this letter.

In reaching my access decision, I have taken the following into account:

- The FOI Act;
- The contents of the documents that fall within the scope of your request; and
- The *Human Rights Act 2004*.

The identified document contains information that I consider, on balance, to be contrary to the public interest to disclose under the test set out in section 17 of the Act.

I have identified that there are no relevant factors favouring disclosure of this information under Schedule 2.1.

Partial redactions have been made to the document as it contains information that I consider, on balance, to be contrary to the public interest to disclose under the test set out in section 17 of the Act as the information contained in these folios is partially comprised of personal information being email addresses and Personal Health information. This information has not been disclosed as this could reasonably be expected to prejudice the protection of the individual's right to privacy under *Schedule 2.2 (a) (ii) prejudice the protection of an individual's right to privacy or any other right under the Human Rights Act 2004*. The disclosure of this detail would not provide any government information pertinent to your request therefore, I have decided this factor outweighs the public interest factors in the disclosure of this information.

### **Charges**

Processing charges are not applicable to this request.

### **Disclosure Log**

Under section 28 of the FOI Act, ACTHD maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. The scope of your access application, my decision and documents released to you will be published in the disclosure log not less than three days but not more than 10 days after the date of this decision. Your personal contact details will not be published.

[https://www.health.act.gov.au/about\\_our\\_health\\_system/freedom\\_information/disclosure-log](https://www.health.act.gov.au/about_our_health_system/freedom_information/disclosure-log).

### **Ombudsman review**

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the FOI Act. You have the right to seek Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in ACT Health's disclosure log, or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

If you wish to request a review of my decision you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman

GPO Box 442

CANBERRA ACT 2601

Via email: [ACTFOI@ombudsman.gov.au](mailto:ACTFOI@ombudsman.gov.au)

Website: [ombudsman.act.gov.au](http://ombudsman.act.gov.au)

### **ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) review**

Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision. Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal

Level 4, 1 Moore St

GPO Box 370

Canberra City ACT 2601

Telephone: (02) 6207 1740

<http://www.acat.act.gov.au/>

**Further assistance**

Should you have any queries in relation to your request, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Coordinator on (02) 5124 9831 or email [HealthFOI@act.gov.au](mailto:HealthFOI@act.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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Vanessa Dal Molin

**Executive Branch Manager**

Policy and Support Services, COVID-19

3 August 2021



**ACT**  
Government

**ACT Health**

Prime Minister Scott Morrison

via [REDACTED]

cc: [REDACTED]

Dear Prime Minister

In accordance with guidance issued by the Australian Health Principal Protection Committee which allows for persons returning to Australia from official government travel to access quarantine arrangements at a home residence, I am granting an exemption under the *Public Health (Returned Travellers) Emergency Direction 2021* to allow you to quarantine at your proposed designated premises, subject to the following conditions:

- You comply with quarantine requirements under the *Public Health (Returned Travellers) Emergency Direction 2021* until [REDACTED]. Please note that the Direction requires the return of a negative COVID-19 test in order to be given clearance from quarantine. If a COVID-19 test is not undertaken, you must complete a supplementary quarantine period of an additional 10 days from the date outlined above.
- You spend your quarantine period at 5 Adelaide Avenue, Deakin, ACT, 2600. If any other persons reside at this premises during your quarantine period, they must also enter into quarantine alongside you for the full period.
- You travel to the designated premises in accordance with the advice provided to the Department of Health. If travelling in a vehicle driven by a private driver, you sit in the backseat wearing a mask during your travel to the ACT. The driver must also wear a mask.
- If quarantining in accommodation with shared entry spaces, you must adhere to the following guidance:
  - You use hand sanitiser prior to your entrance to the complex.
  - You avoid touching any high touch surfaces, such as door handles or hand railings.
  - You should take the stairs rather than a lift to access your apartment. If stairs are not an option, you should not use a lift at the same time as others.
  - You wear a facemask until you have entered your apartment and closed the door.
  - You arrange for any surfaces you have been touched to be cleaned with disinfectant immediately after your entry to your apartment.
  - You cannot enter any common areas during your quarantine period such as shared hallways and foyers.
  - If you have a private balcony, courtyard or garden, you may go outside into these areas. You cannot enter any communal gardens or other public outdoor spaces. If you want to speak with people on adjoining balconies, you must remain at least 1.5 metres apart and wear a mask.

During your quarantine period, you will be monitored for quarantine compliance and emergence of symptoms. A Public Health Officer within ACT Health will be contacting you daily during the period of your quarantine in Canberra. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Health Emergency Control Centre Operations Manager on (02) 5124 9225.

Yours sincerely

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Dr Kerry Coleman  
Chief Health Officer

8 June 2021