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I refer to your request of 24 July 2022 to Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission (PSC). On 5 August 2022, under the Official Information Act 1982, the PSC partially transferred the following to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade for response:

*How much money was administered to the islands of Tokelau to combat the Covid-19 threat?*

Since March 2020, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (the Ministry) has provided NZ\$4,641,000 to support Tokelau's preparedness and response to COVID-19. This included grant funding to the Government of Tokelau to procure surge health-workforce support and medical equipment, procuring a medical container laboratory, and related staff training.

The Ministry also funded comprehensive technical and operational support to roll out COVID-19 immunisation in Tokelau, complementing New Zealand's donation of COVID-19 vaccines, as well as public health advisory support through the New Zealand Ministry of Health and managed by the Polynesian Health Corridors programme.

Please note that we may publish this letter (with your personal details redacted) on the Ministry's website.

If you have any questions about this decision, you can contact us by email at: [DM-ESD@mfat.govt.nz](mailto:DM-ESD@mfat.govt.nz). You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision by contacting [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā



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for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade