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Dear Attorney General,

RE: COVID legislation and regulations

As you will be aware the Human Rights Commission has been attentive to the impact on the rights of individuals following the introduction and further amendment/development of COVID-19 local legislation and regulations since the pandemic began unfolding last year.

Recently members of the public have queried with the Commission whether the continued amendments/development of the regulations and legislation related to travel and quarantine remain rational and proportionate especially given the initiation of the vaccine programme earlier this year both locally and internationally.

The Commission wishes to confirm with your offices whether, in the course of the seemingly regular reviews and deliberations of changes to COVID-19 legislation and regulations, the general principles of human rights and natural justice (such as lawful administrative action, public interests tests and Wednesbury unreasonableness) are being taken into consideration. The Commission also wishes to confirm the regularity of the reviews and considerations being undertaken.

I look forward to receiving your response to share with the Commission and to reassure the public of the Government's upholding of human rights principles on this subject.

Yours sincerely,

Dale Crowley Chairman