



Mr Ajay Singh

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Dear Mr Singh

**Freedom of Information  
Section 17(2) Notice of Decision to finalise**

I refer to your application under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the Act) seeking access to:

*"1. Please provide what research / data / consultation that has been done so far that proves that face masks can successfully prevent catching coronavirus and / or all its known variants ie SARS COV2 2. Please provide list of manufacturers that has approved face mask products recommended by government for protection against coronavirus and / or all its known variants ie SARS COV2 3. Please provide numbers of hours that face mask can be worn without causing harm due to excessive CO2 intake. Also provide list of known side effects of continuous wearing face masks 4. Please provide how many patients diagnosed in hospitals have been confirmed to have omicron variants since the omicron variants arrived in Australia. 5 please provide if RTPCR test can detect and differentiate all the known variants of coronavirus SARS COV2 ?"*

On 2 February 2022 we sent you correspondence requiring action from you in order for your request to proceed. Specifically, we required you to clarify the terms of your request so that we can identify the documents you are seeking access to. As we do not appear to have received a response from you, I write to inform you that we are now finalising your Freedom of Information request under section 17(2) of the Act.

**Complaint Rights**

If you are not satisfied with my decision you have the right to apply to the Office of the Victorian Information Commissioner (the Commissioner) and make a complaint. A complaint needs to be made in writing within 60 days. I have enclosed a fact sheet providing further information on making a request for a complaint to the Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

**Michael Ghobrial**  
A/Manager, Freedom of Information

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1. Fact Sheet – Office of the Victoria Information Commissioner – Complaints
2. Copy of previous section 17 correspondence