

Email providing Police portfolio feedback on June 2012 Cabinet papers

From: [withheld s9(2)(a)]
Sent: Tuesday, June 26, 2012 9:56 AM
To: [withheld s9(2)(a)] (MIN); [withheld s9(2)(a)] (MIN)
Subject: FW: IN CONFIDENCE draft of plain packaging consultation document
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Morning [withheld s9(2)(a)].

Please find below the Police response to your request which indicates no issues however seeks continued consultation with the progress of this issue.

Regards [withheld s9(2)(a)]

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Private Secretary (Police) | Office of the Hon Anne Tolley MP | Minister of Police

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This request was forwarded to me for action.

We have reviewed the draft consultation paper and the RIS for the plain packaging proposals and discussed both with the National Intelligence Centre (NIC).

At this stage we do not have any issues with either papers, although we note that the RIS indicates that the Ministry of Health will be responsible for enforcement action under the proposed changes, and that enforcement action will be carried out within their existing budgets. We assume that they will adopt similar enforcement approaches to what is in place for cigarettes, with DHBs having Smoke-Free Enforcement officers, who currently undertake controlled purchase operations to assess the selling of tobacco to minors.

The NIC has advised that there is not any intelligence at this stage, which might suggest an increase in security is required, or the emergence of a black market due to plain packaging, however, Police will continue to liaise with partner agencies.

We would appreciate being kept in the loop on this policy initiative as it progresses.

Thanks

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