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Sent: Wed 12/16/2020 9:48:00 AM
Subject: RE: Information on vaccine information campaign, vaccine certification and other COVID-19 questions
Received: Wed 12/16/2020 9:48:14 AM

Hartelijk dank, [redacted] Dat is fijn om te horen.

Groet,

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Sent: woensdag 16 december 2020 09:49
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Subject: RE: Information on vaccine information campaign, vaccine certification and other COVID-19 questions

Hold your horses. Ik heb contact met [redacted]

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Van: [redacted] <[redacted]@minbuza.nl>
Verzonden: 16 December 2020 09:45
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Onderwerp: RE: Information on vaccine information campaign, vaccine certification and other COVID-19 questions

Beste [redacted], dank voor het doorsturen maar helaas weet ik echt de antwoorden op de vragen niet. Bij deze zet ik [redacted] en [redacted] van VWS in de cc, hopelijk kan een van hen nog reageren.

Groeten van [redacted]

From: [redacted] <[redacted]@minbuza.nl>
Sent: woensdag 16 december 2020 08:03
To: [redacted] <[redacted]@minbuza.nl>
Subject: FW: Information on vaccine information campaign, vaccine certification and other COVID-19 questions
Importance: High

Beste [redacted]

Bij uitblijven reactie van [redacted] VWS op de vragen van NZ ambassade, kan jij wellicht een en ander toelichten?

Groet,

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From: [redacted]
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Importance: High

Beste [redacted]

In navolging op onderstaande correspondentie wilde ik graag, wellicht ten overvloede, jouw aandacht vragen voor onderstaand verzoek van de Nieuw-Zeelandse ambassade hier in Den Haag.

Zie jij kans om hierop te reageren, in het geval dat nog niet is gelukt?

Bij voorbaat hartelijk bedankt.

Vriendelijke groet,

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Subject: RE: Information on vaccine information campaign, vaccine certification and other COVID-19 questions

Beste 5.1.2e

In addition to my questions below, my colleagues in Wellington had one further question to add.

We noticed that the Dutch Caribbean is also being included in the Netherlands COVID-19 vaccination programme. We would be interested to understand what approach the Netherlands is taking to issues of liability and indemnity for the doses that it is passing on to Aruba, Curaçao, and St. Maarten, given they are constituent countries within the Kingdom of the Netherlands? Will the Netherlands be retaining liability and will the indemnity remain between the vaccine companies and the Netherlands? Or will the Netherlands be looking to Aruba, Curaçao, and St. Maarten to take these arrangements on themselves?

This is relevant to New Zealand's approach in the Pacific, as the Cook Islands and Niue are self-governing states in free association with New Zealand, and are part of the Realm of New Zealand. Therefore, we are in a similar situation to the Netherlands and are keen to understand how you are intending on handling such issues.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best regards,

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Subject: Information on vaccine information campaign, vaccine certification and other COVID-19 questions

Beste 5.1.2e

I hope you are keeping well and are looking forward with one eye on the upcoming holiday period. Sinterklaas is now not far away.

There have been a number of new developments in the area of COVID-19 vaccines and treatments. I was very fortunate to be able to attend the online webinar organised by Radboud UMC on COVID-19 vaccines, which was extremely informative, especially given Janssen, Utrecht UMC and others were represented. I have also read with interest the Netherlands Health Council advice and the announcements made late last week, including on prioritisation of vaccination for certain groups, and the research that is being undertaken under the auspices of ZonMw.

However, I had a few questions that I haven't been able to find answers to, which I wonder whether you would be able to assist me. I'm hoping to include the answers in a report I am sending to Wellington next week.

- 1) When we last met you mentioned there are some issues in the Netherlands with 'vaccine hesitancy' and we discussed the reasons for this. I have read that a **vaccine information campaign** to combat dis- and misinformation about vaccines is being developed in the Netherlands to accompany the COVID-19 vaccination campaign/distribution. Do you have any further details you can share about this information campaign? I understand from the 20 November letter to Parliament that groups to be included in this public information campaign will be young people, people with a low socio-economic status, low-literate people, and non-native speakers. Which languages will the information be translated into (e.g. English, Turkish, Arabic?). How will the information campaign be rolled out and by what method of communication – I note the letter states this will be TV and radio, but will it also be in newspapers, social media, cinemas, or officials meeting with community leaders or at public meetings? I have a number of other specific questions on this too, as we also struggle with an 'Anti-Vaccine' movement in New Zealand and especially in the Pacific Island countries. Are you able to put me in contact with the people responsible at RIVM for developing the information campaign in the Netherlands so I may ask further questions?
- 2) We are also interested in comments that Minister De Jonge made recently regarding possibly making it mandatory for **travellers arriving in the Netherlands to prove that they tested negative** for the coronavirus no more than 48 hours prior to arrival. Could I please speak to someone about how the Netherlands plans to do this? Would it require a note from a GP or doctor, or some other certification? Would this be enforced by the airlines prior to boarding the plane in their home country or by airport immigration officials or the Royal Marechaussee? What about people travelling in a number of countries that are not their home country?
- 3) On a separate note, **when someone is vaccinated in the Netherlands how will that be recorded for international travel purposes?** Will everyone need to have their GP or doctor who vaccinated them update it in their WHO Carte Jaune/Yellow Card that is the international certificate of vaccination (ICV)? Or something else? New Zealand is also asking how we can trust people have been vaccinated against COVID-19 and what certification would be required before we open our borders. I note that in the letter to Parliament, dated 20 November, Minister De Jonge noted that RIVM is developing a national registration system for COVID-19, however how could such information be shared internationally to facilitate travel and trade given privacy considerations?
- 4) Does the Netherlands yet have a view on **what percentage of the Netherlands population needs to be vaccinated before all restrictions are lifted?** Noting a population can never be 100% vaccinated. New Zealand is still considering what percentage we would require before our national borders are able to open again.
- 5) I also wanted to check whether the € 5.1.2b earmarked by the Government for access by vulnerable countries to a COVID-19 vaccine that we discussed previously at our meeting is the same amount that has been now tagged as the Dutch contribution to COVAX in the letter to Parliament dated 20 November? Does this mean that the Netherlands is bilaterally donating the monetary amount of € 5.1.2b to COVAX, or is this something different like an additional deposit for vaccines in addition to the EU's contribution? Is the amount un-earmarked or will the Netherlands specify to GAVI what countries will benefit from the Netherlands' contribution, i.e. Suriname or Least Developed Countries?
- 6) Finally, would it be possible for you to put me in contact with Drs. 5.1.2e at RIVM?

Thank you for your time and consideration of all of my questions. I hope to hear from you soon and I am happy to discuss at any time by phone on +31 5.1.2e

Best regards,

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