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To: ["Minister Gillespie DLO"; PLO](#)
Cc: [MPEG](#); [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: URGENT talking points: Immediate recall of baby formula needed [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]
Date: Monday, 3 July 2017 2:57:15 PM
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Hi [REDACTED],
Please see attached talking points as requested. Document has been cleared through Health (Elizabeth Flynn's area as requested) and by our CEO.
Kind regards,
Sandra
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Secretariat Manager
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From: [REDACTED] **On Behalf Of** Minister Gillespie DLO
Sent: Monday, 3 July 2017 11:54 AM
To: PLO
Cc: MPEG
Subject: URGENT talking points: Immediate recall of baby formula needed [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]
Hi Cathie,

Sorry went to wrong area first. [REDACTED] has requested urgent talking points regarding the proposed recall of infant formula as per media below.
Can we please have something to the office by COB today?

Regards,
[REDACTED] | Departmental Liaison Officer
Office of the Hon Dr David Gillespie MP
Assistant Minister for Health
Parliament House Suite R2-86 CANBERRA ACT 2600
[REDACTED]

From: FLYNN, Elizabeth
Sent: Monday, 3 July 2017 11:49 AM
To: Minister Gillespie DLO
Cc: MPEG; KING, Kelvin
Subject: RE: URGENT talking points: Immediate recall of baby formula needed [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]
Hi [REDACTED]
This is really something that FSANZ is best placed to answer as it is about their evaluation processes for

nano particles. Is there some reason that you wanted the dept to respond?

From: [REDACTED] **On Behalf Of** Minister Gillespie DLO

Sent: Monday, 3 July 2017 11:22 AM

To: FLYNN, Elizabeth

Cc: MPEG

Subject: URGENT talking points: Immediate recall of baby formula needed [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]
Hi Elizabeth,

[REDACTED] has asked for some urgent talking points on the media over the weekend about the recall of baby formula. Could we please have something up to the office by COB today?

Regards,

[REDACTED] | Departmental Liaison Officer

Office of the Hon Dr David Gillespie MP

Assistant Minister for Health

Parliament House Suite R2-86 CANBERRA ACT 2600

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, 3 July 2017 1:41 AM

To: Gillespie, David (MP); King, Catherine (MP); Zappia, Tony (MP)

Subject: Immediate recall of baby formula needed

Dear Dr Gillespie,

Our food regulator – Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ) is failing in its duty to keep our babies safe.

Independent testing commissioned by Friends of the Earth has found illegal and potential risky nanoparticles in popular Australian baby formula products. I am writing to ask you to urgently intervene and ensure that these products are recalled.

When Friends of Earth raised concerns that these ingredients might be present in infant formula last year FSANZ accused them of “raising unnecessary concern among caregivers”. And yet FSANZ has taken no action to ensure that these ingredients are not being used in Australia.

I’m concerned not only about the presence of potentially dangerous nanoparticles in baby formula, but also about the behavior of FSANZ. The agency is increasingly compromised by its close relations with big food multinationals and increasingly unwilling to put safety first and act in the public interest.

I urge you to immediately intervene to ensure that FSANZ puts our health first and foremost.

Yours sincerely, [REDACTED]

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