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Further to Council's motion concerning findings of DNA contamination of covid-19 mRNA vaccines

Hello and congratulations on passing the motion in support of writing to the Prime Minister and QLD State Premier over concerns raised by Port Hedland Town Council about scientific findings of DNA contamination of the covid-19 mRNA "vaccines." I have to say I was delighted to be watching by live video and regret I was not there to thank each of you in person.

As a follow-up to the discussion, I noted a few issues which require clarification and have written a letter to each of you personally covering these issues and also providing some additional information, specifically a copy of Dr David Speicher's report (as referenced by Port Hedland), a sheet providing details of some 9-10 subsequent scientific studies confirming his findings, and a copy of an article from Rebekah Barnett's Dystopian Down Under website which provides an extensive point-by-point rebuttal of the TGA's press release dated 18 Oct 2024, as included in the Council Officer's report brought to the Committee table.

Given that this latter article is rather long (at 48 pages or so), I have documented a summary in this email, as follows:

Article: "Addressing allegations that DNA contamination in the mRNA shots is ‘misinformation’"

The article by Rebekah Barnett and others is a detailed critique of the Australian Therapeutic Goods Administration’s (TGA) handling of allegations regarding DNA contamination in COVID-19 mRNA vaccines. The central argument is that the TGA has dismissed independent scientific findings of excessive synthetic DNA contamination without substantive rebuttal, instead labelling concerns as “misinformation.” The article contends that the regulator has neither refuted the findings nor demonstrated transparency in its own assessments, creating a scenario in which dissenting scientists are discredited rather than engaged.

Key Points of the Article:

1. **TGA's Alleged Misinformation and Lack of Transparency**
    - The TGA released a statement on 18 October 2024, rejecting claims of excessive synthetic DNA contamination in Pfizer and Moderna vaccines.
    - The statement asserts that the scientific studies raising concerns lack "rigour" and are causing unnecessary alarm.
    - The authors argue that the TGA's statement is itself misleading, as it does not substantiate its dismissal with clear counter-evidence.
2. **Independent Scientific Evidence of DNA Contamination**
    - Multiple independent studies—including those by Kevin McKernan, Dr David Speicher, and others—have reported findings of DNA contamination at levels exceeding regulatory limits.
    - These studies tested 49 vaccine vials from Australia, Canada, the U.S., and Germany, detecting synthetic plasmid DNA at concentrations well above the 10 ng per dose threshold.
    - The contamination was detected using qPCR (the TGA's own preferred method) as well as fluorometry, which the TGA criticises as unreliable without acknowledging control measures that mitigate potential overestimation errors.
3. **Regulatory and Ethical Concerns**
    - The TGA allegedly relied on manufacturer summaries rather than independent analysis when approving the vaccines.
    - The Pfizer vaccine used in clinical trials (Process 1) was different from the mass-manufactured product (Process 2), a switch that was not rigorously tested before widespread administration.
    - The TGA admitted via Freedom of Information (FOI) requests that it did not require or conduct genotoxicity or carcinogenicity studies before or after vaccine approval.
    - The regulator has been opaque, redacting critical batch-testing data from FOI releases.
4. **Potential Risks of DNA Contamination**
    - The article claims that DNA encapsulated in lipid nanoparticles (LNPs) poses a risk of genomic integration, potentially leading to cancer, immune disorders, and hereditary complications.
    - The Pfizer vaccine was found to contain an SV40 enhancer/promoter sequence, which has been linked to risks of genomic integration and cancer formation.
    - Scientists argue that regulators have ignored or downplayed these risks, despite historical concerns over DNA integration in gene therapy.
5. **TGA's Testing and Double Standards**

- The TGA has only tested 27 batches (later revised to 28) out of 212 released in Australia, representing just 6% of the total.
- The independent studies collectively tested a larger number of vials than the TGA, yet their findings are dismissed.
- The TGA allows manufacturers to use testing methods that are known to underestimate DNA contamination, while rejecting independent studies for minor methodological discrepancies.

6. **Concerns Over Censorship and Misinformation Laws**
   - The TGA's classification of these concerns as "misinformation" raises broader questions about scientific dissent and government censorship.
   - The upcoming *Combatting Misinformation and Disinformation Bill 2024* could potentially criminalise or censor discussions about vaccine risks, preventing open scientific debate.

Conclusion:

The article presents a methodical takedown of the TGA's response to concerns over synthetic DNA contamination in COVID-19 vaccines. It argues that independent scientific findings have been unfairly dismissed, regulatory oversight has been inadequate, and transparency has been lacking. The broader implications include potential health risks, the erosion of scientific inquiry and the risk of government overreach in controlling public discourse on vaccine safety. Overall, I would contend that Barnett's critique suggests a fundamental failure of regulatory diligence, with significant implications for both public health and individual autonomy.

Kind regards

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Re: Request for Action on Council Motion Concerning COVID-19 Vaccine DNA Contamination

Hi Steven,

Much thanks for reaching out regarding Council action toward COVID health concerns. It seems like you have good reasons for contacting Council and seeking action.

I feel I need to understand the details of your subject before putting a motion across the Council table. Subsequently, would you be against meeting with interested Councillor's to explain your position?

If so please advise and we can arrange a suitable time.

I look forward to catching up on the near future.

Sincerely
Adam

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Subject: Re: Request for Action on Council Motion Concerning COVID-19 Vaccine DNA Contamination

Hi Adam,
Just wondering whether you have had chance to review my email letter of 25 October yet and consider Council's response to the serious and concerning health matters raised by the Port Hedland Council report and supporting documentation.

As indicated, I would appreciate this matter being placed before a Council meeting at an early date for consideration of how Council might respond to the risks of potentially serious health issues that may be affecting hundreds, and even thousands, of people living in Livingstone Shire.

I would point out that according to at least one state LGA Policy Manual, councils acting as they do as a third tier of government have clear responsibility and accountability for health risks within their areas:

3.1 Public Health
3.1.1 Health Services
Local government acknowledges that protecting the health and wellbeing of its communities is a shared responsibility of all tiers of government and recognises the significant contributions that councils make in this area. Councils should contribute equitably to providing preventative and on-going health services, notwithstanding the significant responsibilities of federal and state government

Preventative Health care 3.13
Local government recognises the requirement for federal and state governments to improve local preventative services such as immunisation and education programs through the review

of current arrangements. Councils, through the LGA, will continue to lobby federal and state governments for reviews of these services and for adequate resources.

I would also point out in this connection the "*doctrine of the lesser magistrate*" which implies a duty on lower level authorities to act when there is a clear need to address and remedy deficits at higher levels.

I have already provided an expanded commentary to one councilor who was good enough to respond to my original communication on this matter and I would be more than happy to speak to Council, or any councilors individually or collectively, to clarify and discuss possible actions Council may be in a position to take.

Kind regards

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Re: Request for Action on Council Motion Concerning COVID-19 Vaccine DNA Contamination

To the Mayor, CEO and Councillors of Livingstone Shire

Dear Mayor Belot, CEO and Councillors,

I am writing to bring an urgent matter to your attention regarding a motion recently passed by the Town of Port Hedland Council in Western Australia. During a Special Council Meeting on 11 October 2024, the Council voted to address significant concerns related to synthetic DNA contamination in COVID-19 vaccines distributed in Australia.

Scientific testing has reportedly found that Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccine vials contain synthetic DNA contamination, exceeding the safety limits established by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) by as much as 145 times. This level of contamination presents potential health risks, including genomic integration, increased cancer susceptibility, hereditary genetic defects, and immune system disruption.

Following these findings, the Town of Port Hedland Council has formally notified councils nationwide, urging each to contact the Prime Minister, the Minister for Health, and relevant authorities to demand an immediate cessation of these vaccines. They also call for informing both the public and health professionals in their jurisdictions regarding these risks.

As a resident of Livingstone Shire, I am formally requesting that Livingstone Shire Council act swiftly to protect the health of our community by considering a similar motion. I strongly urge you to call for a temporary halt to the administration of mRNA COVID-19 vaccines and to issue a public notice on the contamination concerns.

Enclosed with this letter, please find the following supporting documents:

- Dr Speciher's report on testing Australian vials of Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines,
- MP Russell Broadbent's letters dated 20 and 25 September 2024,
- An email from Councillor Camilo Blanco of the Town of Port Hedland, dated 23 October 2024.

I respectfully ask that these materials be reviewed thoroughly and that Council addresses this matter with the urgency it warrants.

I trust that Council will prioritise the well-being of residents by bringing this issue to the relevant authorities and ensuring community awareness, as Port Hedland Council has done. Please inform me of Council's intended course of action. I would also appreciate an acknowledgment of this letter to confirm its receipt and review, and given the importance of meticulous record-keeping in this significant matter, it should be documented in Council records to uphold transparency and accountability.

Please formally log this letter, assign it a reference number and schedule it for discussion at the next Council meeting.

Thank you for your attention to this critical issue.

Yours sincerely,

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