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Sent: 19/06/2020 18:13:48
To: Vallance, Patrick (GO-Science) [P.Vallance1@go-science.gov.uk]
Subject: RE: SPI-B

Ok – I am I&S if you want to call when you get free.

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From: Vallance, Patrick (GO-Science) <P.Vallance1@go-science.gov.uk>
Sent: 19 June 2020 18:13
To: Rubin, James I&S
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In about 5min

From: Rubin, James I&S
Sent: Friday, June 19, 2020 6:10:08 PM
To: Vallance, Patrick (GO-Science) <P.Vallance1@go-science.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: SPI-B

I agree, and I know. Do you have 5mins for a call?

From: Vallance, Patrick (GO-Science) <P.Vallance1@go-science.gov.uk>
Sent: 19 June 2020 18:08
To: Rubin, James I&S
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James

The effect is that Government departments are now becoming very wary of putting anything to SPI-B because of a risk of leaks or misuse. We should think about how to deal with it. Frankly it is bizarre behavior don't you think?
Patrick

From: Rubin, James I&S
Sent: Friday, June 19, 2020 6:05:43 PM
To: Vallance, Patrick (GO-Science) <P.Vallance1@go-science.gov.uk>
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Yes – there's nine people on the I-SPI-B, and eight are from the original group. It seems odd to me, I am not sure how that helps promote a diversity of views or gives a fresh perspective.

I have said that I think it is awkward, but equally they should have the right as academics to talk to anyone interested in listening, including I-SAGE.

I don't think they are referencing government papers, though obviously it is impossible to unsee them.

From: Vallance, Patrick (GO-Science) <P.Vallance1@go-science.gov.uk>

Sent: 19 June 2020 14:16

To: Rubin, James [REDACTED] I&S

Subject: SPI-B

James

I gather that 8 members of SPI-B have formed an independent SPI-B reporting into independent SAGE. Do you know about this? Are they using the government papers they see? This seems like an odd thing to do and may cause problems

Patrick