



20 October 2020

KH Ross

By email: fyi-request-13904-eb8a91c3@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Sir/Madam

I refer to your request for information under the Official Information Act (OIA) dated 2 October 2020 and our email to you of 8 October 2020.

We note that we have not yet had a response from you to our email and therefore have been working on the basis that "institutions/entities" mean both government institutions and private companies.

We have decided to grant your request in part, and seek further clarification from you to process the remainder of your request.

Clarification sought

You have requested:

- The number of enrolled undergraduate students (part and full-time) from the Peoples Republic of China from 2010-2020;
- The total fees paid by undergraduate students from the Peoples Republic of China from 2010-2020;
- The number of enrolled postgraduate students (part and full-time) from the Peoples Republic of China from 2010-2020; and
- The total fees paid by postgraduate students from the Peoples Republic of China from 2010-2020.

Data prior to 2015 is not centrally held on our data storage and management system. To obtain the information you have requested for the period 2010 to 2014 would require substantial collation and research, and staff time. Data for 2015 to 2020 would be relatively straightforward for us to compile.

Accordingly, given the resource involved in supply of this information we would have to fix a charge for supply of the information you have requested pursuant to clause 15(1A) of the OIA. Having consulted with our analysts, we have estimated it will take a minimum of four hours of staff time to produce the information requested. In accordance with general guidance available from the Office of the Ombudsman, we have thus fixed a charge for supply of this information at \$228 (calculated at \$38 per half hour with the first hour free).

Before we proceed further with your request, please confirm your agreement to pay the charge in full in advance. We will then advise on how to provide this payment. Once payment is received, we expect to be able to provide you with the requested information within 15 working days. Should collation and checking of the information requested take fewer than four hours, we will refund you for unused time at the rate stated above.

Alternatively, we can provide you with the information for 2015 to 2020 with no charge. Please confirm whether you would prefer to limit the scope of your request to information from 2015 to 2020.

Research Funding

You have also asked for information on the total amount of research funding received from institutions/entities who are headquartered or based in the Peoples Republic of China.

Set out below is a table with the information you have requested, subject to the following:

- Our database that contains details of the University's research contracts is most complete from 2012 onwards. Therefore, the information set out below is from 1 January 2012.
- The reference to "Year Start" designates the year of commencement of the relevant contract(s). Please note however that many of the contracts recorded are for terms longer than 1 year.
- We have searched our database for all research contracts with parties where those parties have their contracting address based in People's Republic of China, Hong Kong SAR or Macau SAR.
- We have only listed the Years where there is a monetary amount noted in the relevant contract(s).

Year Start	Value
2012	\$21,335
2013	\$7,272
2014	\$305,616
Total from 2012 to 2020	\$334,223

I note your right to seek a review of these decisions via a complaint to an Ombudsman. However, we would welcome the opportunity to discuss any concerns with you first.

We look forward to your response so that we can continue to process your information request.

Yours faithfully



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