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Tēnā koe Mr Trafalgar

Official Information Act request: Identity fraud offences of Ministry of Justice staff

Thank you for your email of 19 January 2022 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), information relating to identity fraud offences of Ministry of Justice (the Ministry) employees and contractors. Specifically, you requested:

Please provide any statistics on the number of employees and contractors since Year 2000, found to have committed identity fraud-related offences while being an employee or contractor of the Ministry of Justice (including the Department for Courts).

Please breakdown the statistics to number of employees and number of contractors by each calendar year.

It is a requirement for Ministry employees to complete a criminal history check when an offer of employment is made. Employees are also required to declare criminal offences when in employment. These are dealt with on a case-by-case basis. The Ministry does not keep centralised records on criminal offences by employees, as these are held on individual files. Therefore, I am refusing your request under section 18(f) of the Act on the grounds that the information would require substantial collation.

If you require any further information, please contact the Ministry media team by calling (04) 918 8836; or emailing media@justice.govt.nz

If you are not satisfied with my response, you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at info@ombudsman.parliament.nz

Nāku noa, nā



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