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Tēnā koe Mr Martin

Official Information Act 1982 request

I am replying to your request of 11 June 2015, in which you requested, under the Official Information Act 1982, information about the number of people charged in 2014 with cannabis related offences nationally.

Specifically you have asked for the number of people convicted of cannabis cultivation (excluding supply) and the number of people discharged without conviction under the Sentencing Act 2002, sections 106 and 107.

There were 986 people convicted of cultivating cannabis in 2014, and 14 discharged without conviction.

Please note, a person may face a number of different charges in court within a year. They are counted as being discharged without conviction only if none of the cultivating Cannabis charges finalised in 2014 resulted in a conviction.

If you require any clarification of the information contained in this response to your Official Information Act request, please contact Antony Paltridge, Team Leader, Media and External Relations, at Antony.Paltridge@justice.govt.nz or call (04) 918 8980 or 027 689 0667.

I trust this information is helpful.

Heoi anō, nā



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