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Dear Mr Harris,

Thank you for your email of 16 June 2015 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, the following information:

*“How many allegations of fraud have there been against MBIE staff in the last year? How many were investigated? How many were substantiated? How many were reported to police?  
What was the rough value (if any) of any fraud alleged, investigated, substantiated, and reported?”*

One allegation of fraud has been received and investigated last year about a Ministry employee. This matter was substantiated and the employee was dismissed. The matter did not require referral to Police.

The Ministry takes all allegations of misconduct extremely seriously, and investigates all instances of suspected fraud corruption and dishonesty thoroughly.

I trust you find the information helpful. You have the right to seek and investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

The Ombudsman  
Office of the Ombudsman  
PO Box 10-152  
WELLINGTON 6143

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, or if you require any further assistance, please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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