



## Office of Hon Steven Joyce

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Mr Alex Harris  
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Dear Mr Harris,

I refer to your request dated 13 July 2012, requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982:

- *the number of Ministerial Advisors working in your office;*
- *the position description and portfolio responsibilities (if any) of each*
- *the total annual salary cost of those advisors, as well as the highest salary paid (the latter should be expressed in terms of salary range to protect individual privacy)*

Matters relating to staff are the responsibility of the Chief Executive of the Department of Internal Affairs. I am therefore transferring your request under Section 14 (b)(ii) of the Official Information Act to the Chief Executive of the Department of Internal Affairs.

Further correspondence on this request will therefore come to you from the Department of Internal Affairs. Note that the time limit for responding will be 20 working days from when the Ministry receives this transfer.

Yours sincerely

Hon Steven Joyce  
**Minister for Economic Development**  
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