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Dear Mr/Ms Masters

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request which was received on 13 December 2016 under the Official Information Act (1982).

You requested the following information on the KPMG Gambling Outcomes Preventing and Minimising Gambling Harm Annual Report ('the report') for 2012 – 2013:

- 1. When will the report be published?
- 2. What were the reason/s for the delay of the publication of this report?
- 3. What was the cost to the Ministry of this 2012-2013 report? What was the cost of the 2011-2012 KPMG baseline outcomes report?

The Ministry of Health (the Ministry) commissioned KPMG in 2011 to complete the Outcomes Framework for Preventing and Minimising Gambling Harm – Baseline Report. The report identified short, medium and long term outcomes to enable an integrated approach to gambling harm, and informed the development of *Preventing and Minimising Gambling Harm: Three-year service plan and levy rates for 2013/14 to 2015/16.*

The total amount paid to KPMG for the 2011-2012 report was \$515,975.74. This contract covered the production of the report and the collation of data and feedback from a wide range of sources. It also included convening meetings with the external Advisory Group, which provided expert advice throughout the development of the report.

The Ministry paid KPMG \$135,000 to deliver an update on the Outcomes Framework for the 2012/13 financial year. There were considerable delays in the publication of the report, particularly due to the judicial review of the procurement of gambling harm minimisation services and subsequent work that was required. The Ministry has decided not to publish this report, which was completed in draft form only. However, the Ministry intends to complete an updated Outcomes Report that will encompass the time period of the intended KPMG report and some data used to produce the draft.

I trust this information fulfils your request.

Yours sincerely

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