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Mr Rex Landy

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Dear Mr Landy

On 2 March 2017 I received your request, under the Official Information Act 1982, for the following information:

"I am writing to request the figure for the amount of money that has been spent on 'temporary' accommodation in NZ by housing people in motels. I would like a year-by-year breakdown from 2010 to date.

Once you find that number, I'd be interested to know how many houses could have been built with that sum."

This letter is to advise that your request has been transferred to Mr Brendan Boyle, Chief Executive of the Ministry of Social Development.

This is because your request is more closely aligned with the functions of the Ministry of Social Development. Section 14(b)(ii) of the Official Information Act allows me to transfer any request that is believed to be more closely aligned with the functions of another department, organisation or Minister of the Crown.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my decision to transfer your request by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

Hon Alfred Ngaro

Associate Minister for Social Housing