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Dear Mr Ross Francis

Official Information Request

I refer to your email dated 16 April 2018 which has been treated as an Official Information Act 1982 request. This email was in response to my letter dated 12th April 2018. I will respond to the questions raised in your email.

1. Please send me copies of all communication between Christchurch and Wellington Police in respect of the Geoffrey David Scott case and copies of all communication between Christchurch and Wellington Police in respect of the Christchurch Civic Creche/Christchurch Childcare Centre case.

In my previous letter you were sent the one document that could be located that related to communication between Wellington Police and Christchurch Police in relation to this matter.

2. How many childcare workers, employed at the Wellington Hospital creche between 1 January 1991 and 30 October July 1992 did Police speak with as part of their investigation into Scott?

From reading the file it appears at least 6 childcare workers were spoken to by Police during this investigation.

3. At any time during their investigation, did Police suspect that more than one person may have sexually or physically abused children at the Wellington Hospital creche?

Your request is refused pursuant to section 18 (e) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the information requested does not exist.

4. When did the standard practice of formally interviewing a suspected child abuse victim only once come into effect?

You have previously received (in Police OIA response dated 11 April 2017) the 'draft Evidential Interviews Guidelines 1990'. It is recommended that one 'video' interview is usually sufficient but there is provision for further interviews if required.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with the way I have responded to your request.

Yours sincerely

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