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Dear Mr O'Riley

Thank you for your email of 16 June 2018 to the Ministry of Justice requesting information regarding the Sentencing and Parole Reform Act. On 19 June 2018, part of your request was transferred to the Department of Corrections under section 14 of the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). Your request has been considered under the OIA.

The part of your request that was transferred was:

How many convictions on average did an offender have upon receiving their first strike warning under the Sentencing and Parole Reform Act?

Corrections has access to information regarding your question up to 30 April 2018. As at 30 April 2018, 9422 offenders had received at least a "first strike" warning.

The average number of convictions, including the convictions for the "first strike" warning, was 21.45. This includes where the offender was convicted and discharged, as well as convicted and sentenced.

I trust the information provided is of assistance. Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise these with Corrections. Alternatively you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely

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