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Mr Peter Robinson  
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Dear Mr Robinson

I refer to your Official Information Act request of 3 March 2019 for information relating to traffic stops in New Zealand.

You requested:

- 1. Could you please provide a spreadsheet with the total number of traffic stops nationally between 2011 and 2018? Can this please include all events where Police have stopped vehicles and if possible broken down by reason e.g speeding, traffic light infringement etc?*

New Zealand Police does not hold information on the number of vehicle stops completed each year. Therefore, this part of your request is refused pursuant to section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982, as the information requested does not exist.

However, in 2018 Police combined a number of data sources to give an estimation of the number of vehicle stops that are completed each year. It was estimated that 2.5 million vehicle stops are completed per annum. Please note, this estimation was completed for a specific purpose and is not a statistic that is recorded or reported on any police systems.

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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