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Dear Anthony,

I refer to your request for information, dated 25 March 2019, for the following information:

"1/ Please provide information Pertaining to numbers of Head Injuries/Concussions, or any type of Injury to Cranial anatomy, as the result of Rear Door and/or Rear Seat activities that were sworn Police Staff a) As the result of an Arrest

- b) In the course of a Non-Arrest duty
- 2/ Please provide information Pertaining to numbers of Head Injuries/Concussions, or any type of Injury to Cranial anatomy, as the result of Rear Door and/or Rear Seat activities that were to non-sworn Staff/Citizens/Immigrants-(Legal or Illegal immigrants)
- a) Arrests
- b) Non-Arrests

3/ Please provide information Pertaining to numbers of Head Injuries/Concussions, or any type of Injury to Cranial anatomy, as the result of Rear Door and/or Rear Seat activities that were not reported to the Accident Compensation Corporation

4/ Cost of these Incidents/Injuries to the New Zealand Police"

In answer to your questions:

- 1. The system used to record injuries sustained by Police staff does not have a category for head injuries/concussions at this time. In addition, while there is a category for injuries that result from a Police vehicle, those do not specifically outline the parts of the car which were responsible for the injury like rear door/rear seat activities. Therefore, your request is refused pursuant to Section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the information you requested does not exist.
 - a. As above
 - b. As above
- 2. As per the answer to your first question, the system used to record injuries does not specify to rear door/rear seat activities. Nor does it distinguish between non-sworn and sworn staff and would take considerable effort to collate that information. The system also does not distinguish between citizens/immigrant statuses. Therefore, your request for this information is

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also refused pursuant to Section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the information you requested does not exist.

- a. As above
- b. As above
- 3. As mentioned in the above questions, this information does not exist and is therefore refused pursuant to Section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982.
 - a. As above

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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