



11 March 2019

File Ref: OIA 38971

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Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

**Official Information Act request**

Thank you for your Official Information Act request, transferred from the State Services Commission and received on Monday 11 March 2019. You requested information on the following:

*"An approximate cost estimate of the average response to an OIA request across all central government agencies including NZ Police and NZ Defence Force. This should necessarily require an averaging of:*

- a. The average wage per hour typically committed to OIA responses, multiplied by*
- b. The average number of hours committed to responding to an OIA request."*

As no two OIA requests are the same and all are responded to by a mix of staff including subject matter experts and Managers, the information you have requested is not held within Te Puni Kōkiri (Ministry of Māori Development) and there are no grounds for believing the information is held by another agency. Therefore, pursuant to section 18(g) of the Official Information Act 1982, I have declined your request.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that Te Puni Kōkiri publishes some of its OIA responses on its website, after the response is sent to the requester. The responses published are those that are considered to have a level of public interest. We will not publish your name, address or contact details.

Ngā mihi

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