



24 March 2016

Ms Stewart

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Ref: DOIA 1516-1186

Dear Ms Stewart,

Thank you for your request of 22 March 2016 requesting under the Official Information Act 1982, the following information:

"Please provide the number of cases where the IRD was the sole debtor in bankruptcy cases where overseas assets and properties were seized and in which country the assets were seized. I am interested to see how this has changed over the last five years.

Could you also provide the legal mechanism or process for other sovereign governments to cooperate with the relevant New Zealand ministries involved in recouping this student debt. I.e. How does the relevant government ministry go about getting a bankrupt debtor to pay their debts when bankrupt in New Zealand but living abroad?"

Your request is being processed in accordance with the Official Information Act 1982. If you have any enquiries regarding your request, you may contact us via email at oia@mbie.govt.nz or

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Your request was received on 22 March 2016 and a response will be sent to you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

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