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Dear BAW Russell

Official information Act request (OIA 19/20-0190)

I refer to your Official Information Act (OIA) request transferred from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) received by the Department of Internal Affairs (the Department) on 3 September 2019, requesting the following information:

'a list of ministerial staff positions/titles in each separate ministerial office currently employed and the number of people in each role.'

Response to your request

I have provided the job titles and the number of people in those roles as at 5 September 2019, listed by each Ministerial office, in the attached table. It is important to note that these are not all full time equivalent roles.

There are generally 3 types of staff who work in Ministers' offices:

- Department employed staff who are assigned to work in a particular Minister's office
- Roving staff, also employed by the Department, although not assigned to a particular Minister's office they provide backfill cover for positions and additional resource where there are fluctuating needs
- Portfolio seconded staff who are seconded to Ministers' offices by government agencies to facilitate the management of Ministers' portfolio responsibilities.

I have not included portfolio seconded staff because these staff are not employed by the Department, rather they are employed by their home agencies.

If you have any concerns with the information in this response, you have a right to request an investigation and review by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the OIA. Information on this is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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Roles and number of staff in Ministerial offices (as at 5 September 2019)

N.B. Not all these roles are full time equivalent roles.

Minister	Job Title	Number of staff in role
Hon Andrew Little	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Andrew Little	Ministerial Advisor	2
Hon Andrew Little	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon Andrew Little	Private Secretary (Administration)	1
Hon Aupito William Sio	Private Secretary (Advisory/Media)	1
Hon Aupito William Sio	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Carmel Sepuloni	Ministerial Advisor	2
Hon Carmel Sepuloni	Press Secretary	1
Hon Carmel Sepuloni	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon Carmel Sepuloni	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Chris Hipkins	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Chris Hipkins	Specialist Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon Chris Hipkins	Ministerial Advisor	2
Hon Chris Hipkins	Press Secretary	1
Hon Chris Hipkins	Private Secretary (Administration)	1
Hon Chris Hipkins	Senior Press Secretary	1
Hon Damien O'Connor	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon Damien O'Connor	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Damien O'Connor	Press Secretary	1
Hon Damien O'Connor	Senior Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon David Parker	Senior Ministerial Advisor	2
Hon David Parker	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon David Parker	Private Secretary (Administration)	1
Hon David Parker	Senior Press Secretary	1
Hon David Parker	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Dr David Clark	Press Secretary	1
Hon Dr David Clark	Ministerial Advisor	2
Hon Dr David Clark	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	2
Hon Dr David Clark	Senior Press Secretary	1
Hon Dr David Clark	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Dr Megan Woods	Private Secretary (Advisory/Media)	1
Hon Dr Megan Woods	Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon Dr Megan Woods	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Dr Megan Woods	Press Secretary	1
Hon Dr Megan Woods	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1

Minister	Job Title	Number of staff in role
Hon Eugenie Sage	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon Eugenie Sage	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Eugenie Sage	Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon Eugenie Sage	Press Secretary	1
Hon Grant Robertson	Senior Press Secretary	2
Hon Grant Robertson	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Grant Robertson	Private Secretary (Administration)	2
Hon Grant Robertson	Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon Grant Robertson	Specialist Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon Iain Lees-Galloway	Press Secretary	1
Hon Iain Lees-Galloway	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Iain Lees-Galloway	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon Iain Lees-Galloway	Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon James Shaw	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon James Shaw	Ministerial Advisor	2
Hon James Shaw	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon James Shaw	Chief of Staff	1
Hon Jenny Salesa	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon Jenny Salesa	Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon Jenny Salesa	Press Secretary	1
Hon Jenny Salesa	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Julie-Anne Genter	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon Julie-Anne Genter	Private Secretary (Advisory/Media)	2
Hon Julie-Anne Genter	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Kelvin Davis	Press Secretary	1
Hon Kelvin Davis	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon Kelvin Davis	Specialist Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon Kelvin Davis	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Kris Faafoi	Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon Kris Faafoi	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon Kris Faafoi	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Kris Faafoi	Press Secretary	1
Hon Nanaia Mahuta	Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon Nanaia Mahuta	Press Secretary	1
Hon Nanaia Mahuta	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon Nanaia Mahuta	Senior Private Secretary	1

Minister	Job Title	Number of staff in role
Hon Peeni Henare	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Peeni Henare	Private Secretary (Advisory/Media)	1
Hon Phil Twyford	Senior Ministerial Advisor	2
Hon Phil Twyford	Press Secretary	1
Hon Phil Twyford	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Phil Twyford	Senior Press Secretary	1
Hon Phil Twyford	Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon Phil Twyford	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon Poto Williams	Private Secretary (Advisory/Media)	1
Hon Poto Williams	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Ron Mark	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon Ron Mark	Senior Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon Ron Mark	Press Secretary	1
Hon Ron Mark	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Shane Jones	Private Secretary (Advisory)	1
Hon Shane Jones	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Shane Jones	Private Secretary (Administration)	1
Hon Shane Jones	Senior Press Secretary	1
Hon Shane Jones	Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon Stuart Nash	Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon Stuart Nash	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Stuart Nash	Senior Press Secretary	1
Hon Stuart Nash	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon Tracey Martin	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Tracey Martin	Ministerial Advisor	1
Hon Tracey Martin	Senior Press Secretary	1
Hon Tracey Martin	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Hon Willie Jackson	Senior Private Secretary	1
Hon Willie Jackson	Private Secretary (Advisory/Media)	1
Mr Fletcher Tabuteau	Ministerial Advisor	1
Mr Fletcher Tabuteau	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Mr Fletcher Tabuteau	Senior Private Secretary	1
Ms Jan Logie	Senior Private Secretary	1
Ms Jan Logie	Senior Ministerial Advisor	1
Ms Jan Logie	Press Secretary	1

Minister	Job Title	Number of staff in role
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Private Secretary (Administration) – (1 on leave)	2
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Press Secretary	2
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Senior Designer	1
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Ministerial Advisor	3
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Chief Press Secretary	1
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Senior Ministerial Advisor	2
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Media Advisor	1
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Executive Assistant to the Prime Minister	1
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Private Secretary (Advisory/Media)	2
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Ministerial Assistant (Correspondence Unit)	2
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Private Secretary (Executive Support)	1
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Events Manager	1
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Executive Assistant (Correspondence Unit)	2
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Chief of Staff	1
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Correspondence and Records Manager	1
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Senior Press Secretary	1
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Executive Assistant to the Chief of Staff	1
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Deputy Chief Press Secretary	1
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Specialist Ministerial Advisor	1
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Ministerial Assistant (Records Office)	1
Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern	Senior Private Secretary	1
Rt Hon Winston Peters	Press Secretary (1 on leave)	2
Rt Hon Winston Peters	Private Secretary (Administration)	2
Rt Hon Winston Peters	Senior Ministerial Advisor	1
Rt Hon Winston Peters	Ministerial Advisor	2
Rt Hon Winston Peters	Chief of Staff	1
Rt Hon Winston Peters	Senior Private Secretary	1
Rt Hon Winston Peters	Chief Press Secretary	1