

16 January 2020

Mr Robert McKenzie
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Dear Mr McKenzie

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), which we received on 14 January 2020. You requested the following:

Question 1

How many people have now been arrested under the student loan arrest at boarder policy?

Question 2

- a) What is the actual charge?*
- b) When the person is arrested, are they fingerprinted and photographed as per normal arrest process?*
- c) Does the arrested person have a criminal conviction after the process? Or is the process actually treated as a civil matter in the courts?*
- d) If so, why then are they arrested and held in a cell?*

Question 3

- a) Are student loans actually loans?*
- b) If so, why is there no statute of limitations on the "loans"?*

I believe that part of the information you have requested, specifically questions 2b and 2d, is more closely connected to the functions of New Zealand Police. Accordingly, under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act, I am transferring those questions to New Zealand Police.

New Zealand Police has 20 working days from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

The remainder of your request will be response to by Inland Revenue. You should expect a response by 13 February 2020.

Yours sincerely



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