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Dear Mr Dickie

I refer to your request of 14 March 2020 to the Ministry of Social Development, requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

What is the total number of staff employed by The Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and what is the annual wage and salary outgoings for the calendar year of 2019 for HUD?

On 17 March 2020 your request was transferred in full to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (the Ministry). I have addressed the parts of your question separately below.

What is the total number of staff employed by The Ministry of Housing and Urban Development

The total number of Ministry employees as at 31 December 2019 was 261.

The total number of people employed by the Ministry throughout the 2019 calendar year (1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019) was 362, which includes new starters and leavers during the period. The number of leavers includes those employees transferred from the Ministry's KiwiBuild unit to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities, which was established on 1 October 2019.

[W]hat is the annual wage and salary outgoings for the calendar year of 2019 for HUD

The Ministry's salary and wage outgoings for the 2019 calendar year was \$32.9 million. This figure includes superannuation, higher duties/special duties allowances, and ACC levies.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website at <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a>.

Yours sincerely

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**Head of People and Culture**