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Dear Alex Harris

I refer to your official information request dated 30 April 2012, requesting

- 1. The number of people in the last six months who have been denied permission under s97(1)(b) to board a craft for the purpose of travelling to New Zealand.*

The table below shows the number of people denied boarding a craft for the purpose of travelling to New Zealand over the last six months.

Month/Year	Number of people denied boarding
Nov 2011	101
Dec 2011	168
Jan 2012	105
Feb 2012	119
Mar 2012	94
Apr 2012	80
Total	667

- 2. The number in the last six months who have been granted permission under s97(1)(c) to board a craft subject to conditions. If this number is greater than zero, then I'd like either a complete list of the conditions for each case, or if it is very large, the most common conditions applied.*

I advise that all persons coming to New Zealand are required to be granted permission under s97(1)(c) to board a craft subject to conditions. For example, New Zealand nationals are subject to general conditions such as holding a valid passport. Non-New Zealand nationals are subject to conditions relevant to the purpose of their stay as set out in Immigration New Zealand's (INZ) immigration instructions. The immigration instructions are publically available for your perusal at www.immigration.govt.nz. It should be noted though, that INZ may decide to waive any conditions in assessing a case, and INZ may also decide to deny entry permission on arrival.

The table below shows total numbers of all persons who have come to New Zealand in the last six months, broken down by New Zealand nationals, visa-free nationals, and visa-required nationals.

Nov 11 to April 12	New Zealand nationals	Visa-free nationals	Visa-required nationals	Grand Total
Total	1,054,617	1,226,741	304,610	2,585,968

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Yours sincerely,



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