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Dear Sarah M,

### OIA 22-23-64: Internal Promotion of Investment Specialists in New Zealand

Thank you for your email of 25 May to New Zealand Trade and Enterprise (NZTE), making a request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Your request is in response to our reply to a previous OIA, NZTE OIA 22-23-48, *Internal Promotion of Female Investment Specialist*.

You requested the following information:

*I think you may have misinterpreted the question. The specific question was regarding internal promotion of Investment Managers (investment technical skillset) and inside New Zealand.*

*To that end I would not expect people such as Lee Cyn-Li or Catherine Tlapek to be included (they appear to be international), nor people from the operations / business analysis side (Georgia Mills for example, business advisor - Investment to Investment director).*

*Can you please confirm whether, noting the above clarification, the numbers supplied in your response are correct, or whether, in fact, only 1 female Investment Manager has been promoted to Investment Director in New Zealand since Dylan Lawrence took over as GM.*

Answers to your questions are as follows:

Thank you for clarifying your initial OIA request. Noting your clarification, NZTE has re-assessed its initial response to you. In response to your updated request above, please see our response below.

**Table One** displays the results for all New Zealand based NZTE staff promoted from Investment Manager to Investment Director, by gender, since Dylan Lawrence began as GM of Investment.

**Table One**

Gender of Individual	Number of people
Female	2
Male	5
Prefer not to disclose	1

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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'B Mahar', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Brendan Mahar  
**Acting Director – Board & Ministerial**