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Ref: OIA 107977

Tēnā koe Kurien

## Official Information Act request: Ministry real estate payments

Thank you for your email of 1 November 2023, to the Ministry of Justice (the Ministry), in which you requested under the Official Information Act (the Act) information relating to the Ministry's real estate. Specifically, you requested:

Who is Aitken Street Real Estate Netherlands B.V and what is their relationship to you? Why do you pay them so much each year? July 2023- \$11.5mil?

Your request has been referred to me for response, as it falls within my responsibilities as Deputy Secretary, Corporate and Digital Services and is being managed in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

*Aitken Street Real Estate Netherlands B.V* is the Ministry's landlord for our Aitken Street National Offices. The annual figure paid to them is to cover commercial rent and various leased building operating expenses.

If you require any further information, please contact Media & Social Media Manager Joe Locke at media@justice.govt.nz.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Ministry website at: justice.govt.nz/about/official-information-act-requests/oia-responses/.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to make a complaint to the Office of the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. The Office of the Ombudsman may be contacted by email to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by phone on 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

Kelvin Watson Deputy Secretary, Corporate and Digital Services