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Steph Lambert

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Dear Steph

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 2 April 2016, in which you requested information about drug offences under section 6 of the Misuse of Drugs Act - specifically offences for cannabis possession and supply.

You requested our internal policy for the investigation and prosecution of these offences. Our internal policy in these matters is contained with the Drugs Chapter of the Police Manual, which has specific sections on Drug Investigations and Drug Prosecutions, but which is not necessarily specific to cannabis-related offences. The Police Manual contains good practice guidelines and instructions for the New Zealand Police.

Please find the two relevant sections of the Drugs Chapter enclosed for you in full. Please note that these documents may contain electronic links to other parts of the Police Manual that have not been provided to you as part of this request.

If you are not satisfied with the response to your request, you have the right to refer the matter to the Office of the Ombudsmen.

Yours sincerely



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