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Transfer of Official Information Act request

Good afternoon Mr Carter

Thank you for your email dated 8 August 2017 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Subject: Official Information request - FCV's investigated by MBIE. We request the following information:

- 1. A list of all FCVs fishing in NZ waters in 2014, 2015, and 2016.*
- 2. How many of those have or are being investigated by the (MBIE) Labour Inspectorate, since 2015.*
- 3. Names of vessels investigated.*
- 4. How many were involved in the payment of the \$800,000 in back paid wages mentioned by MBIE (DoL's) Stu Lumsden on Radio NZ.*
- 5. The total amount of back wages paid by each vessel.*
- 6. Number of Japan Tuna Co vessels fishing in NZ waters in 2015/2016.*
- 7. How many days they spent fishing each year.*
- 8. Whether the MBIE (Labour Inspectorate) was investigating wages of other Japan Tuna Co vessels. If not why not?*
- 9. Whether any investigation and or action has been taken against any other Japan Tuna Co vessels, and if what happened. We know one did a runner and MBIE couldn't find anyone to serve the papers on.*

This letter is to advise you that parts one, six and seven of your request have been transferred to the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI). This is because your request is more closely aligned with the functions of MPI.

Section 14(b)(ii) of the Act allows MBIE to transfer any request that is believed to be more closely aligned with the functions of another department, organisation or Minister of the Crown.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request, or this response, please contact Ministerial Services on oa@mbie.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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