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Dear Mr Dalton

Thank you for your email of 11 November 2017, requesting information about average incomes of offenders. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

You have asked:

If available, I request available statistics regarding the average incomes of those who have low-level convictions, and serious convictions, and if possible average incomes prior to the first imprisonable offence. I am primarily concerned with those who have served time in prisons.

Your request is declined under section 18(g) of the OIA as Corrections does not hold the information requested and we have no grounds for believing that it is held by another agency or more closely connected with the functions of another agency.

I note that you are looking into the driving forces behind Māori over-representation in the criminal justice system. As I'm sure you are aware, Corrections has a number of online resources that you may find useful when undertaking your research.

The strategic report 'Reducing Re-offending Among Māori' is publicly available on our website at:

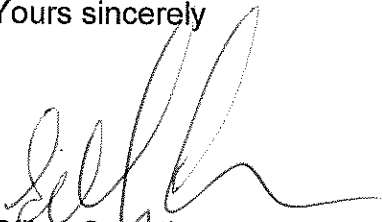
http://www.corrections.govt.nz/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/882245/COR-AoG_171081_Reducing_Maori_re-offending_v7.pdf

Please also find a link to the research paper 'Over-representation of Māori in the criminal justice system' provided below:

http://www.corrections.govt.nz/_data/assets/pdf_file/0004/672574/Over-representation-of-Maori-in-the-criminal-justice-system.pdf

Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise these with the Department. Alternatively you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gillon Carruthers', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gillon Carruthers
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