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Dear Mr Hanna

I refer to your Official Information Act request of 20 March 2018 for information relating to fleeing drivers and your previous OIA on the same topic.

You requested:

1. *Is there any particular reason why this death was not included in the spreadsheet, and are there likely to be other similar deaths that have been excluded?*

Data used to produce this report is sourced from the Fleeing Driver Notification Database. If a notification is not fully completed, then information about that particular pursuit will not appear in any report. As previously stated the data provided is drawn from a dynamic operational database that is subject to change as new information is recorded or recoded. In this instance one notification was not completed, and another was completed several months after the crash. As these had not been completed in a timely manner, they did not show up in any reports generated from this database. A detailed examination of the fleeing driver notifications has been undertaken, cross-matching them with fatal crashes in the NZTA Crash Analysis System (CAS). Police are now confident that the data it holds on fatal fleeing driver incidents is accurate and measures are to be put in place to ensure that any future fatal fleeing driver event notifications will be completed in a timely manner.

2. *Statistics for injuries and deaths to bystanders in pursuits, and any other relevant categories of person that I may have missed, for the same period.*

The attached table ("20180320 HANNA M 16-7758-14 Pursuit data.xlsx") contains revised fleeing driver data, including the additional categories requested. Please note that the 'Offender' category includes any persons in the offending vehicle and the 'Third Party' category includes occupants of any other vehicle involved, pedestrians, cyclists or any other road users.

The data provided contains provisional data which is drawn from a dynamic operational database. This is subject to change as new information is recorded or recoded.

You have the right to complain to the Ombudsman and seek an investigation and review of my decision if you are not satisfied with the way I have responded to your request.

Yours sincerely

Superintendent Steve Greally
National Manager Road Policing

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