

23 September 2022

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Dear Tina

Thank you for your information request of 13 September 2022. You have requested:

All information, as to where the ministry of social development benefits who were my employers, in which every payment given by them was taxed under the tax code M, relating to the social security number: 500 734 673 receive their payment from to pay me.

The Ministry of Social Development (MSD) receives the funds to pay benefits from the Crown through Acts of Parliament. Appropriation Acts authorise the Crown (Government) or an Office of Parliament to legally incur an expenses or capital expenditure as defined in the Public Finance Act 1989 (PFA). An appropriation is the statutory authority from Parliament allowing the Government through MSD to pay benefits.

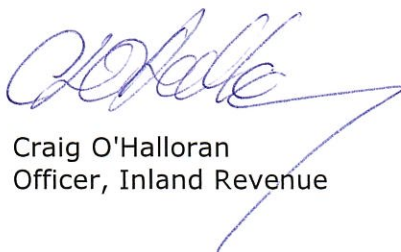
A benefit is public money provided by the Government for the benefit of a person. Public money is defined in the PFA and means all money received by or on behalf of the Crown, including the proceeds of all loans raised on behalf of the Crown, and any other money that the Minister of Finance or the Secretary to the Treasury directs to be paid into a Crown Bank Account or Departmental Bank Account and any money held by an Office of Parliament; but does not include money held in trust as trust money.

The *Estimates of Appropriations* (the *Estimates*) provides information to ensure that Parliament can exercise the appropriate level of scrutiny and control over the Government's operating and investing activities. This provides a basis against which Parliament can, after the end of the financial year, assess actual performance against each appropriation. You can find more information about *Estimates of Appropriations* at www.treasury.govt.nz.

If you have any further questions about how MSD funds its operations, I suggest you request it directly from MSD by emailing them at OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz.

This information fully covers your request.

Yours sincerely



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