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Mr Sheldon Levet
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Dear Mr Levet

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

I refer to your email dated 16th April 2018 in which you requested the following information:

- itemised costs to the police
- number of police in attendance, their rank, and where they are normally posted

For the attendance and policing of the following public protests by NZ Police:
- Oil Summit Protest, 22-23rd March 2017, TSB Showplace, Taranaki

I have considered your request in accordance with the Official Information Act 1982.

We are unable to provide the information of **“itemised costs to police”**. The cost for extracting this information would be extensive due to the number of staff involved, identifying who they were, determining what salary they were on at the time, determining the time they were deployed for the operation, determining the vehicles involved and mileage used, etc.

Therefore your request for “itemised cost to the Police” has been declined for the following reasons:

- **S18(f) - that the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research**

You also requested **“-number of police in attendance, their rank and where they are normally posted”**.

Unfortunately, we are unable to reveal staff numbers for security reasons. Therefore your request for the above has been declined in accordance with the following section of Official Information Act 1982:

· **S6(c) - To prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation, and detection of offences and the right to a fair trial**

However, we can advise you that the staff deployed consisted of Constables, Sergeants, Senior Sergeants and Inspectors,

If you are not satisfied with my response to your request you have the right to complain to the Office of the Ombudsman and seek a review and investigation of my decision.

Should you have any further queries, please contact me at the details shown below.

Yours sincerely