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Tēnā koe 

I refer to your email dated 29 April 2022 requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). I answer your questions in turn.

1. *How many FTE staff in total were employed by your organisation as at 31 December 2021?*

Answer: 225.

2. *What percentage of FTE staff in your organisation were earning a salary of \$100,000 or more as at 31 December 2021?*

Answer: 65 percent.

3. *How many FTE staff were employed by your organisation for the COVID-19 Response as at 31 December 2021, if any, and how many of these roles are permanent?*

Answer: Eight. This is made up of three fixed-term FTEs and five permanent FTEs that were seconded into the COVID-19 Response team.

4. *As of today's date, how many square meters of office space does your organisation have in total?*

Answer: 1,559.

5. *Was there a Government Relations Team in your organisation as at 31 December 2021, and if so, how many FTE staff work in government relations roles?*

Answer: The Ministry does not have a Government Relations team. However, it does have a Ministerial Services team. The team provides strategic and operational guidance, advice and support in the areas of private secretarial services, information management, government accountability documents and processes, Official Information Act requests (OIAs), Ministerials, output plans, business planning and reporting processes. There were 11 FTE staff working in this team as at 31 December 2021.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of this response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website www.ombudsman.parliament.nz

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