

11 August 2014

Naomi Ferguson Chief Executive and Commissioner of Inland Revenue Inland Revenue P O Box 2198 Wellington 6140

Dear Ms Ferguson

# Reporting requirement notice: Information sharing agreement between IR and NZ Police (Our Ref: IS/0007)

I am writing to formalise the reporting requirements for the approved information sharing agreement between IR and NZ Police relating to information about serious crime.

Part 9A of the Privacy Act 1993 and the Privacy Regulations 1993 set out the details that I can require IR to report on. I have considered the cost of reporting, the degree of public interest in the sharing arrangement and the impact on individuals' privacy.

The notice takes into account the commitment by IR and NZ Police to perform regular process audits. Those audits will assess the performance of each agency against the privacy safeguards in the agreement to provide assurance for matters that I might otherwise have addressed through the formal notice.

As an important transparency measure, this letter and the notice will be published on our website.

Yours sincerely

John Edwards

**Privacy Commissioner** 

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# Reporting requirement notice: approved information sharing agreement (AISA)

To: Inland Revenue (lead agency)

Under sections 96S(1)(b), 96T and 96U of the Privacy Act 1993, and clause 9 of the Privacy Regulations 1993, the Privacy Commissioner has specified the following reporting in respect of the approved information sharing agreement listed in schedule 2A of the Privacy Act for:

 supply of information for the purpose of prevention, detection, investigation or providing evidence of serious crime.

Inland Revenue (IR) will collate the following information annually (for the period between 1 July and 30 June) and report the information in its annual report for that year:

## Scale

- 1. Number of requests for information made by Police to IR
- 2. Number of responses with information provided by IR to Police
- 3. Number of occasions IR proactively provided information to Police

#### Costs

4. Estimated on-going operating cost

# Benefits

- 5 Number of times information provided by IR has been used in a case with a resolution of:
- No offence
- Prosecution
- Warning
- Diversion
- Youth case action
- 6. Where IR proactively provided information to Police, the percentage of cases that information was used in an investigation.

## Assurance

- 7. Where an audit or other assurance process has been undertaken, a summary of the results of that audit or assurance process.
- 8. Details of any amendments made to the agreement since the Order in Council came into force (if the first report), or since the last report prepared (if the report is not the first report prepared).

John Edwards

**Privacy Commissioner** 

Dated: 11/08/14

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