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Dear

Email:

## **OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST -NEW FURNITURE AND OFFICE SUPPLIES**

I refer to your email dated 19 February 2019 to the Education Review Office requesting official information under the following bullet points. I have included my response under each bullet point.

• How much has the department spent in the last five years (broken down by year) on buying new furniture and office supplies for its offices around New Zealand?

The amount spent excluding GST in the last five years is tabled below.

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
\$201,931	\$38,590	\$286,578	\$270,376	\$481,327

• Please provide any extra detail available on why the purchases were required i.e. office renovation or relocation.

The purchases were mainly required for office relocations (end of lease), a renovation to an existing office (see comment below about the November 2016 earthquake) and replacement of items due to wear and tear.

• How much has the department spent on getting rid of furniture i.e. dump or storage fees, in the last five years (broken down by year).

The amount spent excluding GST on getting rid of furniture in the last 5 years is tabled below.

2014	4 2015	2016	2017	2018
\$2,07	/1 \$105	\$1,585	\$2,242	\$19,826

Depending on the nature of the assets, the options available for disposal ranged from auction, donation to charitable bodies and education institutions or to simply scrapping minor items.

• Any extra detail on why certain items were procured or justification for the purchases or removal of items is appreciated.

The building an ERO regional office was in was condemned following the November 2016 earthquake. Rather than acquiring new premises it was decided to re-fit our National Office to accommodate our displaced regional staff.

Yours sincerely



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