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Tēnā koe

Thank you for your email of 21 February 2023 to the Department of Corrections – Ara Poutama Aotearoa, requesting information about Corrections' CCTV network. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

## You requested:

- 1. A total number of CCTV cameras owned OR operated by Corrections; broken down by each Prison/Facility.
- 2. Identify the brand(s) of camera at each location (e.g. Hikvision, Panasonic etc).

Corrections operates over 14,500 CCTV cameras across all of our sites, including prisons, Community Corrections, regional and national offices. Approximately, 12,500 of these are in prisons (not including Auckland South Corrections Facility). Furthermore, all prison security systems are air gapped, meaning that it is not and cannot connect wirelessly or physically with the internet or Corrections wider internal network.

Corrections uses the following makes of CCTV camera:

- Axis
- Bosch
- Vivotech
- FLIR
- Panasonic (not used in prisons).

With over 14,500 CCTV cameras in use, it would require substantial collation to provide a breakdown of the specific cameras in use at each site. Therefore, your request is refused in accordance with section 18(f) of the OIA as the requested information cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

In accordance with section 18A and 18B of the OIA we have considered whether fixing a charge, extending the time limit or asking you to refine or amend you request would enable

us to provide a response. We do not believe in this instance your request can be refined due to its specificity.

Please note that this response may be published on Corrections' website. Typically, responses are published quarterly, or as otherwise determined. Your personal information including name and contact details will be removed for publication.

I trust the information provided is of assistance. I encourage you to raise any concerns about this response with Corrections. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Ngā mihi

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