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Our Reference: IR-01-19-6719

Dear

I am writing to you in response to your email dated 4 March 2019, which was a follow up to the response IR-01-19-1419. You had previously asked what the ten largest confiscations were by number of firearms. My previous response was "The ten incidents that had the most firearms seized in the last 10 years, as at 18 February 2019, had 76, 53, 40, 38, 30, 29, 22, 17, 14, and 13 firearms each." On 4 March 2019, you asked:

1. How many of these seized arms were actual firearms? Not airsoft toys or airguns. How many were arms that discharge a project by force of explosive gases?

Of the 332 firearms listed in the previous response, 284 were firearms that were not airguns or replicas. These were (as defined before 22 Mar 2019): 33 shotguns, 30 pistols, 187 rifles, 24 MSSAs, and 10 other restricted weapons. Of the airguns and replicas, 40 were specially dangerous airguns that require a firearms licence and permits.

For your information, Police has developed a process for proactive release of information, so the response to your request may be publicly released on the New Zealand Police website.

Yours sincerely

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