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Dear Catherine

Thank you for your advice as to which applicants in the Round Five Partnership School Kura Hourua (PSKH) selection process should be taken forward through to the next stage. Your letter and report were received in my office on 6 July 2017.

I have accepted your advice and agreed to proceed all five applications into contract negotiations.

I note the Board's new policy that applications can be recommended to proceed with 'conditions precedent' imposed. This is an additional tool at the Board's future disposal to ensure that applications go through a robust process and are of the highest possible quality. I expect the option of applications proceeding with 'conditions precedent' to be a permanent feature of the PSKH selection process.

Thank you again for your advice.

Yours sincerely

Hon Nikki Kaye

Minister of Education

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cc Ellen MacGregor-Reid, Deputy Secretary, Early Learning & Student Achievement David Seymour, Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Minister of Education