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Thank you for your email of 24 January 2017 to the Ministry of Education requesting the following information:

- A copy of any reports, briefings or advice prepared by the Ministry at a senior management or ministerial level in relation to the latest Programme for International Student Assessment results, since 1 July 2016.

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act (the Act).

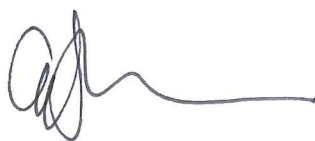
We have identified three documents within the scope of your request:

- *Education Report: Briefing TIMSS 2015* (23 November 2016)
- *Briefing Note: PISA 2015 ethnicity data*. This document corrects a data error in the Education Report (22 December 2016)
- *TIMSS & PISA – key results*: an A3 that was presented to the Minister in a meeting she held with Ministry officials.

We are releasing the Briefing Note and the A3 to you in full. We are releasing the Education Report to you in part, with information withheld under section 9(2)(g)(i) of the Act to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to Ministers of the Crown or members of an organisation or officers and employees of any department or organisation in the course of their duty.

Thank you again for your email. If you have further questions please feel free to contact our media team in the first instance at media.team@education.govt.nz. If you are still unsatisfied with my response, you have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review it. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely



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