

## Jeremy Barnes

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**From:** Enquiries National  
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**Subject:** OIA Response - 1264025

Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 24 June 2021 to the Ministry of Education requesting the following information:

- *Briefings or advice to the Minister of Education dated between 1st January 2020 and the date of this request relating to the review or the place of international education in primary and intermediate schools.*
- *Briefings or advice to the Minister of Education dated between 1st January 2020 and the date of this request relating to the review or place of international education in secondary schools.*
- *Briefings or advice to the Minister of Education dated between 1st January 2020 and the date of this letter regarding any workstream reviewing or relating to international education in state and state-integrated schools.*

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

We apologise for the delay in responding to your request.

There are eight documents in scope of your request, five of which have already been made publicly available and are detailed below:

Date	Title and link
13 May 2020	<a href="#">COVID-19 – Advice on support for international students facing hardship</a>
22 June 2020	<a href="#">A Strategic Recovery Plan for the International Education Sector</a>
3 July 2020	<a href="#">Governance to support the Strategic Recovery Plan for the International Education Sector</a>
20 April 2021	<a href="#">International Education Strategic Recovery Plan</a>
21 May 2021	<a href="#">Minister Hipkins letter to International Peak Bodies</a>

Of the three remaining documents, two have now been added to the Ministry's public release programme and will be made available in the coming weeks on our [Advice seen by our Ministers](#) webpage.

Date	Title
8 April 2021	Education report: Understanding and responding to COVID-19's financial impact on schools
11 May 2021	Briefing Note: Meeting with international education peak bodies (revised version – 11 May 2021)

We are therefore refusing these papers under section 18(d) of the Act, as the information is already or will soon be made publicly available.

The last paper in scope, noted below, is currently under active consideration as decisions are yet to be made. We are therefore withholding this paper in full under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Act, to protect the confidentiality of advice tendered to Ministers of the Crown.

Date	Title
11 May 2021	Briefing Note: Initial advice on the future direction of international education for students under Year 9

Please note, the Ministry now proactively publishes OIA responses on our website. As such, we may publish this response on our website after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed.

Thank you again for your email. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. You can do this by writing to [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Ngā mihi

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