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Tēnā koe 

Thank you for your email of 18 June 2021 to the Ministry of Education, requesting the following information:

- *All reports, briefings, aide-memoires, advice, and notes that relate to the strategy/deep dive session on maths, literacy and te reo matatini hosted by Minister Hipkins on 12 May 2021. I am requesting all of the above materials the Ministry of Education prepared before the meeting (regardless of whether or not they were provided direct to the Minister),*
- *notes taken by MOE representatives about what happened at the 12 May meeting and an explanation of the work MOE has commenced as a result of the meeting.*

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

All information that fed into the strategy session with our Minister and Associate Ministers of Education has been proactively released and is available on our website [here](#). I am therefore refusing the first part of your request under section 18(d) of the Act, as the information is already publicly available. Please note that all information considered for proactive release is done so in accordance with the provisions of the Act and so further information can be released in response to this request.

In reference to your request for notes taken at and after the meeting, only seven pages worth of notes were taken. However, these notes reflect the high-level discussions taken at strategy meetings. I am therefore withholding these notes in full under section 9(2)(g)(i) of the Act, to protect the free and frank expression of opinion by or between employees of any public service agency.

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.

Nāku noa, nā



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