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From: Aotearoa New Zealand Histories
Sent: Friday, 27 August 2021 11:05 AM
To: [REDACTED] Aotearoa New Zealand Histories
Subject: RE: OIA Request - Submissions on the draft Aotearoa New Zealand's histories curriculum content

Kia ora [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 9 August 2021 to the Ministry of Education requesting electronic copies of all submissions and information received regarding the draft Aotearoa New Zealand histories curriculum.

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

As previously advised, we are preparing a detailed summary of the submissions which will be released publicly in the near future. As per section 16(1)(e) of the Act, where information requested by any person is comprised in a document, that information may be made available by giving an excerpt or summary of the contents.

Since the requested submissions will soon be made available in summary form, I am refusing this part of your request under section 18(d) of the Act. It is the Ministry's intention to make this information available within the next 8 weeks at [Aotearoa New Zealand histories and Te Takanga o te Wā – Education in New Zealand](#).

I note that you have also requested information received regarding the draft Aotearoa New Zealand histories curriculum. However, this aspect of your request has not been specified with due particularity and is very broad in nature. As it stands, this part of your request would include all information held by the Ministry that relates to, not just mentions, the draft Aotearoa New Zealand histories curriculum. This would cover such an enormous quantity of information that we cannot begin to process this part of your request, and so under section 12 of the Act, it is not a valid request for information.

If this part of your request was intended to include only the information which the Ministry received from external parties to provide feedback, in addition to, the submissions on the draft Aotearoa New Zealand histories curriculum, this information will be included in the detailed summary mentioned above.

However, I am reaching out to you in the hope you could provide further detail around what sort of information you are looking for in case the above interpretation was incorrect. This way we can try and get you what you are looking for, rather than thousands of irrelevant pages of information or a refusal because your request cannot be processed.

Please let us know by return email if the above interpretation is incorrect. Otherwise, we will assume that all the information you require will be included in the summary which that is to be made available online in the near future.

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 or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Regards,

Aotearoa New Zealand's Histories Project Team

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, 9 August 2021 2:37 PM
To: Aotearoa New Zealand Histories <AotearoaNewZealandHistories@education.govt.nz>
Subject: OIA Request - Submissions on the draft Aotearoa New Zealand's histories curriculum content

Aotearoa New Zealand's Histories Project Team
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The Aotearoa New Zealand's Histories Project Team do not appear to be considering my request to view the submissions. Under the Official Information Act, I am requesting the Ministry of Education/ Aotearoa New Zealand's Histories Project Team provide electronic copies of all submissions and information received regarding the draft Aotearoa New Zealand histories curriculum in a form that is able to be analysed.

Electronic copies should be downloaded onto a USB drive and sent to the following address

[REDACTED]

Or

Please provide a link to the data base which holds the submissions

Please confirm receipt of this request and the response time.

Thank You

[REDACTED]

From: Aotearoa New Zealand Histories <AotearoaNewZealandHistories@education.govt.nz>
Date: Monday, 5 July 2021 at 12:43 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Aotearoa New Zealand Histories <AotearoaNewZealandHistories@education.govt.nz>
Subject: Histories Curriculum Query

Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

You have asked to view the submissions on the draft Aotearoa New Zealand's histories curriculum content. Submissions were also sought on the draft Takanga o te Wā content in Te Marautanga o Aotearoa (the curriculum developed for use in Māori medium education). Further feedback came from teachers in consultation and classroom and staffroom testing.

A detailed summary of the submissions will be prepared. Summaries of this type are typically released at the time Ministers announce a final decision on policy matters. The new curriculum content will be published by the Minister in the New Zealand Gazette in time for schools to use it for direction and guidance as they decide what topics to teach in their local curriculum for histories.

Ngā mihi

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