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**OIA: 1319285 – Audits of Rainbow Corner Group of Companies Limited and Correspondence**

Thank you for your email of 15 November 2023 to the Ministry of Education (the Ministry) requesting the following information:

- 1. All audits of Rainbow Corner Group of Companies Limited, including its subsidiaries, Ministry of Education (MOE) completed in the two years prior to its receivership.*
- 2. Correspondence, including emails and letters, between the receivers, liquidators and voluntary administrators of Rainbow Corner Group of Companies Limited, including its subsidiaries, and MOE between March 14 to November 15, 2023.*

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

I have identified two documents in scope of **part one** of your request, attached as **Appendix A**. My decision on the release of these documents is noted in the below **Appendix A Document Table**. Please note, some information has been withheld from these documents under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons.

I have identified 19 documents in scope of **part two** of your request, attached as **Appendix B**. My decision on the release of these documents is noted in the below **Appendix B Document Table**.

Some information has also been withheld from these documents under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, as above, and under section 9(2)(b)(a)(i) of the Act, to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence, where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied.

As required under section 9(1) of the Act, I have considered the public interest in releasing the information withheld. I do not consider the public interest considerations favouring the release of this information are sufficient to outweigh the need to withhold it at this time.

Please note, 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 my decision on your request, in accordance with section 28 of the Act. You can do this by writing to [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or to Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'S Ramirez', is positioned above the printed name.

Stephanie Ramirez  
**Acting General Manager, Network & Regulatory**  
**Te Mahau | Te Pae Aronui (Operations and Integration)**

## Appendix A Document table

#	Date	Title	Decision on release
1.	11 August 2022	Letter: ECA – Early Childhood Funding Claim Audit	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
2.	26 August 2022	Letter: ECA344 – Early Childhood Funding Claim Audit	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.

## Appendix B Document table

#	Date	Type	Subject	Decision on release
1.	14 March 2023	Email	The Rainbow Corner group of companies (In Receivership)	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
2.	14 March 2023	Email attachment: Letter	Letter to MOE – Rainbow Corner Group of Companies	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
3.	16 March 2023	Email	PORSE In-Home Childcare	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
4.	22 March 2023	Email	RE: The Rainbow Corner Group of Companies	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
5.	5 April 2023	Email	The Rainbow Group	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) and 9(2)(b)(a)(i) of the Act.
6.	29 June 2023	Email	RE: Rainbow Corner	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
7.	19 May 2023	Email	Closed service letters for 45858 and ECA3512	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.

8.	19 May 2023	Email attachment: Letter	Re: Closure of The Rainbow Corner Early Learning Centre – Flat Bush One and The Rainbow Corner Early Learning Centre - Flat Bush Two	<b>Release in full.</b>
9.	19 May 2023	Email attachment: Letter	Re: Closure of The Rainbow Corner Early Learning Centre – Hastings	<b>Release in full.</b>
10.	13 June 2023	Email	RE: The Rainbow Corner	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
11.	13 June 2023	Email	The Rainbow corner services	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
12.	13 June 2023	Email attachment: Letter	Letter: Re: The Rainbow Corner services.	<b>Release in full.</b>
13.	13 June 2023	Email attachment: Table	The Rainbow Corner services	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
14.	13 June 2023	Email	PORSE In-Home Childcare (NZ) Limited-ECA344	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
15.	11 July 2023	Email	RE: Porse Funding Submissions	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
16.	12 July 2023	Email	RE: URGENT: Rainbow Corner Funding	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
17.	14 August 2023	Email	RE: Porse Funding	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
18.		Email attachment: Notice	Early Childhood Education Funding Notice for 1 July 2023	<b>Release in full.</b>
19.	9 November 2023	Email	RE: Rainbow Corner Funding notices	<b>Release in part.</b> Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.