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Tēnā koe 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your request, received on 24 August 2020, for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- Copies of all documents or material produced by the Commission regarding any restructuring of the university sector;
- A list of meetings officials have held or attended where a restructuring of the university sector was discussed.

As advised by the Minister of Education in his response to written parliamentary question 15803 (2020), there is no intention at this time to restructure the university sector. I can also advise the Tertiary Education Commission has not created any documents or attended any meeting where a restructuring of the university sector was discussed. Therefore, I am refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Act as the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

The TEC intends to publish its response to this request on our website with your personal details removed. Consistent with the Act, we are publishing responses in the interests of transparency and accountability, and to improve access to official information.

Nāku noa, nā

Tim Fowler Chief Executive

Tertiary Education Commission

