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Tēnā koe Bella

Thank you for your email of 9 July 2021 to the Ministry of Education requesting the following information:

1. *For each quarter for the previous five years (i.e. Q3 2016 through Q2 2021), how many Applications for Certificates of Exemption from Enrolment at a Registered School were received?*
2. *And in each of those quarters, how many Applications for Certificates of Exemption from Enrolment at a Registered School were approved, and how many were declined?."*

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

The Ministry needs to extend the timeframe of our response to your request, pursuant to section 15A(1)(b) of the Act, as consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit. For this reason, you can expect to receive a response to your request by **20 August 2021**. I am hopeful that we will be able to respond to you before this date.

Please be advised that should you have any concerns regarding this extension you have the right to ask an Ombudsman to investigate our decision to extend the timeframe. 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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