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Tēnā koe Matthew

Thank you for your request dated 10 August 2021 to the Ministry of Education requesting the following information:

- 1. Has your agency contracted work to Research New Zealand in the last five years?*
- 2. If so, did you provide private information or data on individuals to Research New Zealand?*
- 3. If so, what agreements did you make with Research New Zealand regarding privacy and data retention?*
- 4. Have you been notified of any data breaches, security issues, or privacy issues with Research New Zealand?*

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 **30 September 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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