



Briefing report

Education Review Office (ERO): 2021 March Baseline Update Submission

Date	22 February 2021
Security Level	N/A
ERO Priority	Medium
ERO Reference	M21-14
Date requested	ERO initiated
Date due	ERO initiated
Proactive release	Recommended

Addressee	Action sought	Deadline
Minister of Education	It is recommended that you:	
	a) Sign the attached submission.	
	b) Agree to forward the signed submission to the Minister of Finance's office.	1pm, Thursday 25 February 2021
	c) Agree this briefing is recommended for proactive release.	



Attachments:

Education Review Office (ERO):

Briefing letter: 2021 March Baseline Update Submission for Vote Education Review Office

MBU 2021 Submission: 2021 March Baseline Update Submission for Vote Education Review Office

Minister's Office to complete

Noted	<input type="checkbox"/>
Seen	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved	<input type="checkbox"/>
Referred to:	
Date signed by Minister:	



Comments:



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Hon Chris Hipkins
Minister of Education

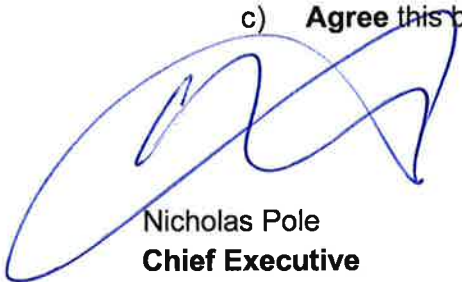
2021 March Baseline Update Submission for Vote Education Review Office

1. The attached submission to the Minister of Finance documents changes to the baseline for Vote Education Review Office for the 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24 and 2024/25 financial years.
2. A small fiscally neutral adjustment has been made in the appropriation *Evaluations of the Quality of Education* to reflect the latest forecast levels of revenue from contractual services for the year 2020/21.
3. I am also seeking approval to transfer in-principle part of ERO's 2020/21 surplus into 2021/22 up to the maximum amount of \$500,000. This will be used to complete ERO's work programme due to the flow-on impact of Covid-19 during the first quarter of 2020/21 financial year. The final amount to be transferred will follow the completion of their 2020/21 audited financial statements.
4. The Treasury has reviewed the attached submission and raised no further comments with it.
5. A copy of the attached submission is required to be forwarded to the Minister of Finance's office by 1pm, Thursday, 25 February 2021. The Treasury has reviewed the submission and is fine with it.

Recommendation

6. It is recommended that you:

- a) **Sign** the attached submission. **Sign**
- b) **Agree** to forward the signed copies to the Minister of Finance's office by 1.00pm on Thursday, 25 February 2021. **Agree** **Disagree**
- c) **Agree** this briefing is recommended for proactive release **Agree** **Disagree**



Nicholas Pole
Chief Executive

NOTED / APPROVED



Hon Chris Hipkins
Minister of Education

23/02/2021

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