



Our Ref: OIA 23-146

12 December 2023

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Tēnā koe, [REDACTED]

Re: OIA Request - Coalition negotiations

I refer to your email dated 6 December 2023 to the Education Review Office requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982 as follows:

- *Copies of all advice, briefings, memos or any other documents prepared to aid in the National Party, ACT Party, New Zealand First Party coalition negotiations.*
- *Copies of all correspondence including but not limited to letters, emails, text messages, Whatsapp, Signal, sent or received by any member of Education Review Office relating to providing advice for the National Party, ACT Party, New Zealand First Party coalition negotiations.*

In relation to both parts of your request, ERO provided no advice, and engaged in no correspondence, with the National Party, ACT Party, or New Zealand First Party during coalition negotiations. We are therefore refusing your request under section 18(e) of the OIA because the requested information does not exist.

You have a 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

Ngā mihi

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