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Tēnā koe R S Bicknell

Official information request for expenditure information from the Southeast Asia Centre for Asia Pacific Excellence (SEA Cape)

I refer to your request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) dated 9 October 2021:

The total amount of money spent on hospitality (lunches, dinners, event catering etc) by the SEA Cape in 2018, 2019, and 2020.

The total amount spent on alcohol by the SEA Cape in 2018, 2019, 2020.

The total amount spent on international airfares by the SEA Cape in 2018 and 2019. Please breakdown this cost by class of travel.

The total amount spent by the SEA Cape on memberships of any private club memberships for staff associated with the SEA Cape (including the Wellington Club or Northern Club).

The total amount of funds spent on salaries by the SEA Cape in 2018, 2019, and 2020. Please breakdown by role.

The total amount of funding spent on hotels by the SEA Cape in 2018, 2019, and 2020. Please breakdown by hotel.

The Southeast Asia Centre of Asia-Pacific Excellence (SEA CAPE) is hosted by Victoria University of Wellington as part of a consortium of New Zealand universities. Some of the information you have requested relates to expenditure by the University of Waikato and the University of Otago.

Information regarding expenditure by these Universities that may be related to your request is held by the individual Universities. As such, we are required by Section 14(b)(i) of the Act to transfer your request in part to the University of Waikato and the University of Otago.

The University of Waikato and the University of Otago will contact you directly regarding the information they hold in relation to your request.

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.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact me at oiarequests@vuw.ac.nz.

Ngā mihi nui

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