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Dear Andrew

Thank you for your email of 20 July 2017 to the Ministry of Education requesting the following information:

- *I am writing to request a copy of a database held by the Ministry. This database is known as "FIDS", the Financial Information Database for Schools.*

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 by 20 working days, 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 14 September 2017. We will try to respond sooner than this date if possible.

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 or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely

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