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Tēnā koe Blair

Thank you for your email of 7 November 2019 to Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children (Oranga Tamariki), requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- *Please provide, in full, the 2019 report into Oranga Tamariki reviewing practices, policies, procedures for the uplift of children and recommendations.*

On 4 December 2019, we advised you that the timeframe for responding to your request for information had been extended.

We have decided to grant your request, in part. Due to the nature of the Practice Review, information will be withheld under the following sections of the Act:

- section 9(2)(a), in order to protect the privacy of natural persons;
- section 9(2)(ba)(i), as the information is subject to an obligation of confidence and, if released, could prejudice the supply of similar information in the future;
- section 6(c), where making the information available would be likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation and detection of offences;
- section 9(2)(h), to maintain legal professional privilege; and
- section 6(d), where making the information available would be likely to endanger the safety of any person.

We are in the process of preparing the information for release to you and will provide you with a substantive response in the new year. As you may be aware, Oranga Tamariki proactively released this document on 5 November 2019. A copy of can be found via the following link:

<https://www.orangatamariki.govt.nz/news/hawkes-bay-practice-review/>

You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by contacting them on 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@ot.govt.nz

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Groom', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Steve Groom

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