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Dear Cassandra

Official Information request

We refer to the transfer of official information request from the Ministry of Education on the 11 April 2022. The University of Waikato (**University**) has given due consideration to your request and provides the following response.

1. **“How many FTE disabilities support staff are at each university institution and if relevant why there are discrepancies in these numbers.”**

The University has 2.85 FTE disability support staff. With respect to your second point regarding whether there are discrepancies in these numbers, the University refuses your request under section 18(g) of the Official Information Act 1982 (**OIA**) as the information is not held.

2. **“What is the allocation for these staff at each institution, how many minimum are required.”**

The University is not aware of any minimum requirement in terms of FTE staff working to support students with disabilities in Universities.

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.

Yours sincerely



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Chief Operating Officer