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Dear Paul

Thank you for your request, received on 10 September 2014, for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

"A copy of the recommendation about the next round of SAR ACE funding that the SAR advisory committee sent you".

The SAR advisory committee you refer to does not exist, but there is a SAR Training Governance Group (Governance Group). The Tertiary Education Commission is working with the Governance Group on the findings from the SAR review undertaken in June this year. However, there has been no correspondence between the Governance Group and my Office about the next round of ACE (SAR) funding.

Therefore, I am declining your request as the document alleged to contain the information does not exist. This decision complies with section 18(e) of the Act.

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman about my decision.

Yours sincerely

Steven Joyce

Minister for Tertiary Education, Skills and Employment