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Dear Tangiia Enjoy

Thank you for your letter of 21 September 2014 requesting - information about the total number of deaf/hearing impaired students that studied at tertiary-level institutions within the Auckland region from the years 2007-2014. The institutions may include; University of Auckland, AUT university and Unitec. If this information is available, I want to further request whether it is possible to distinguish the students between undergraduate studies and postgraduate studies.

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982.

Request Refusal – Section 18(g), Official Information Act 1982

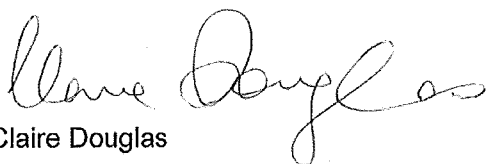
This request has been refused under section 18(g) of the Act as the information requested is not held by the department or Minister of the Crown or organisation and the person dealing with the request has no grounds for believing that the information is either

- (i) held by another department or Minister of the Crown or organisation, or by a local authority, or
- (ii) connected more closely with the functions of another department or Minister of the Crown or organisation or of a local authority

The data currently collected from Tertiary Education Organisations identifies students that have a disability but not the nature of the disability. This means that we have no data about the number of deaf or hearing impaired students studying at the tertiary level in Auckland (or elsewhere).

Under sections 19 and 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982 you have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision.

Yours sincerely



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