



**ORANGA  
TAMARIKI**  
Ministry for Children

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Tēnā koe Matthew

### **Overpayment of fees**

We have recently undertaken a review of the fees paid to the Ministerial Advisory Board (the Board) since February 2021 and have identified an overpayment to you as Chair of the Board.

While your appointment letter specifies you will be paid in accordance with the Cabinet Fees Framework at \$1000 per day, our review has identified that we have made payments to you over and above this daily rate. We apologise for this error.

We also apologise for not having the controls in place to identify this overpayment earlier, or in fact to prevent it. We acknowledge the impact of this on you and regret any distress it has caused you.

We have since taken steps to improve and strengthen the controls to prevent this from occurring in the future.

We would like to meet with you to discuss how we work together to resolve this matter. I will be in contact to arrange a convenient time for us to meet.

Thank you for your strong leadership. We recognise that delivery of *Hipokingia ki te Kahu Aroha, Hipokingia ki te Katoa*, in a relatively short space of time required significant time and effort from you as Chair of the Ministerial Advisory Board.

Nāku noa, nā

Jane Fletcher  
**Acting Deputy Chief Executive  
Governance and Engagement**