

Aide-Memoire: Meeting with University of Waikato Vice-Chancellor

То:	Hon Steven Joyce, Minister for Tertiary Education, Skills and Employment
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Purpose

 You have accepted an invitation to meet with Professor Neil Quigley, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Waikato (Waikato) on Thursday 12 May 2016. This aide-memoire provides general background information about Waikato. A biography for Neil Quigley is provided in Appendix 2.

Updates Waikato may provide

Proposal for a new graduate medical school

- The TEC has learned that Waikato may intend to submit a business case to support it
 establishing a graduate medical school. No details have been provided to the TEC, but it
 may be similar to Victoria University of Wellington's (VUW) 2013 proposal for a graduate
 medical school (B/13/00252 and B/13/00622 refer), in which Neil Quigley was involved in his
 previous roles at VUW.
- It is noted that the VUW proposal was not supported as it did not demonstrate sufficient need
 for a third medical school and did not show sufficient evidence of the school's future
 sustainability and alignment to regional and national needs.



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Background information about Waikato

- 14. Waikato is one of the biggest tertiary education provider's in the Waikato Region and is also a major contributor to the regional and national economy. Preliminary data suggests that although Waikato has experienced a drop in EFTS, it will deliver over 100% of its 2016 SAC funding allocation.
- 15. Additional background information about Waikato can be found in Appendix 2.



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Appendix 1 – Biography of Neil Quigley



Professor Neil Quigley - Vice-Chancellor

Professor Quigley became Vice-Chancellor of the University of Waikato in early 2015. Before taking up his position as Vice-Chancellor, he was employed at Victoria University of Wellington for 19 years, originally as Professor of Economics, and more recently as Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) and Provost. Prior to that, he was Assistant Professor of Economics at the University of Western Ontario in Canada. Professor Quigley is a Director of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand and also a Director of the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA). In 2013, he received an honorary doctorate from the University of Economics in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

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Appendix 2 – Key facts about the University of Waikato

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