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Tēnā koe Jade

Thank you for your email of 22 April 2015 requesting a copy of Sir Michael Cullen's 2013 report.

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

The report by Sir Michael Cullen is a progress report that was undertaken as part of a process that has not been completed and is subject to ongoing negotiation.

I am therefore withholding this report in full under section 9(2)(j) of the Act, to enable the Minister and the Ministry of Education to carry on negotiations without prejudice or disadvantage.

Thank you again for your request. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this response. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Mā te wā

Deputy Secretary

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