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Dear Alex Harris

Thank you for your email of 30 July 2012 asking for a copy of the Ministry of Education's submission to the Law Commission's review of the Official Information Act and all drafts, advice, and internal communications (including emails) relating to that submission.

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

The Ministry has been informed by the Law Commission that all submissions on the review of the Official Information Act are to be published on its website in the week beginning 13 August 2012. I am therefore refusing the part of your request that relates to the Ministry's submission under section 18(d) on the grounds that this information will soon be publicly available.

There were no drafts, advice or internal communications relating to the submission and I am therefore refusing this part of your request under section 18(g) on the grounds that the information is not held by the Ministry.

There do not appear to be overriding public interest reasons that support the release of the information withheld.

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

Sue Prowse

Senior Solicitor