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Dear Helen Winterbottom

Thank you for your email of 26 October 2012 requesting details of any payments made to Sanitarium (Seventh Day Adventist Church in New Zealand, AKA, Australasian Health Conference):. "According to documents filed with the Charities Commission, in 2009, 2010 and 2011, Sanitarium (Seventh Day Adventist Church in New Zealand, AKA, Australasian Health Conference) had income of \$1.614m, \$1.915m and \$581,225 which is listed as being from Government Grants and Contracts.

- 1/ Was any of this money from the Ministry of Education?
- 2/ If so, How much?
- 3/ If not, please advise, to the best of the Ministry's knowledge, which department was responsible for the grants or contracts.
- 4/ What was the purpose of the Grant(s) from the ministry?
- 5/ Did the Ministry perform any checks or audits on the expenditure of any such funds, and what was the outcome?
- 6/ Please provide correspondence including emails and letters and any notes or minutes from meetings in relation to the ministry's decision to make such grants to Sanitarium."

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

The Ministry of Education has not given any funding and has no knowledge of any department that may have been responsible for the grants or contracts.

Yours sincerely

Tina Cornelius
Chief Financial Officer