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Dear Ms Bates

I am writing in regards your email of 6 August 2018, regarding your request for:

- *I would like to know how many settlements have been reached by the Ministry of Education with members of the public (including teachers) as a result of complaints made, how much reparation has been paid, and how many have included non-disclosure agreements preventing discussion of details. I would like to have data on this for each year from 2007 to 2017.*

As set out in Ms McAra's email on 14 August and 27 August, your request is very broad in nature and scope and cannot be answered without substantial collation and research. As such, we invited you to refine your request by 1 September 2018, with the hope that a more refined request would enable us to provide you with a substantive response.

As we have not heard from you, and in order to meet our obligations under the Official Information Act, your request is refused under section 18(f) of the Act as the information you have requested cannot be made available without substantial collation and research.

We do, however, remain open to considering a refined request. Please note that should you choose to submit an amended or refined request this will be considered to be a new request for the purposes of calculating the maximum statutory timeframe for a response.

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

Yours sincerely



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