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Dear s 9(2)

Thank you for your email of 17 February 2022 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- Every 'Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga – Ministry of Housing and Urban Development Status Report' since the [23 August weekly report](#).
- Every 'Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga – Ministry of Housing and Urban Development Operational Report' since the [23 August weekly report](#).

As you know, the timeframe for providing a decision on your request was extended until 5 May 2022. Sixteen documents are being released to you with some information withheld under the following sections of the Act:

Section of Act	Reason to withhold
9(2)(a)	Protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons
9(2)(b)(ii)	Protect the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information
9(2)(f)(iv)	Maintain the constitutional convention which protects the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials
9(2)(h)	Maintain legal privilege
9(2)(j)	Enable a Minister of the Crown or any department or organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)

Please note, there were no weekly reports provided to Ministers in the week of 11 October 2021 and the weeks between 20 December 2021 and 24 January 2022.

In terms of section 9(1) of the Act, I am satisfied that, in the circumstances, the decision to withhold information under section 9 of the Act is not outweighed by other considerations that render it desirable to make the information available in the public interest.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

As part of our ongoing commitment to openness and transparency, the Ministry proactively releases information and documents that may be of interest to the public. As such, this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on our website.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K Goodman', written in a cursive style.

Kate Goodman
Manager Ministerial Services