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Education Report: NZQA's 2018/19 Annual Report

Date:	19 September 2019	NZQA Priority:	Medium
Security Level:	In confidence	Report No.	CR 19498

Action Sought:

	Actio	on Sought	Deadline
Hon Chris Hipkins Minister of Education	note the contents of the 2018/19 Annual Report; and		The Minister of Education will present NZQA's Annual Report to Parliament within 5 working days of receiving it.
	note NZQA will liaise with your office on timeframes for presenting the 2018/19 Annual Report to Parliament.		
Enclosure: Yes (select as appropriate)		Round Robin: Yes/No (select as appropriate)	

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The following departments/agencies have seen this report:

NZQA has worked closely with both the Ministry of Education and Audit New Zealand on the development of its 2018/19 Annual Report.

Minister's Office to Complete:					
Noted	Seen	Approved			
Needs change	Withdrawn	Overtaken by Events			
See Minister's comments	Declined				
Referred to:					

redacted section 9(2)(a)

Purpose of Report

1. To provide an accurate/audited account of NZQA's financial and non-financial performance for the year ending 30 June 2019 (in accordance with Crown Entities Act 2004).

Background

- 2. The Crown Entities Act 2004 requires NZQA to produce an annual report. An annual report must provide the information that is necessary to enable an informed assessment to be made of the entity's operations and performance for that financial year, including an assessment of the entity's progress in relation to its strategic intentions as set out in the most recent Statement of Intent.
- NZQA's 2018/19 Annual Report reports against the strategic intentions in the 2016/17 2019/20 Statement of Intent, the 2018/19 Statement of Performance Expectations and the 2018/19 Minister's Letter of Expectations. This is the final year of reporting against the 2016/17 – 2019/20 Statement of Intent.

Comment

- 4. As per section 150 (1) (b) of the Crown Entities Act 2004, NZQA is providing you with the final version of its 2018/19 Annual Report.
- 5. NZQA has been working closely with the Ministry of Education's Monitoring and Appointments Team (the team responsible for monitoring NZQA), and Audit New Zealand, to ensure that the 2018/19 Annual Report accurately reflects NZQA's performance against client expectations and meets relevant statutory requirements.
- 6. Section 150 (3) of the Crown Entities Act 2004, states that a responsible Minister must present the entity's annual report to the House of Representatives within 5 working days of receiving it, or if Parliament is not in session, as soon as possible after the commencement of the next session of Parliament.
- 7. To meet the requirement to publish the annual report "not later than 10 working days after the annual report is received by the Minister" under section 150 (4) of the Crown Entities Act 2004, NZQA will publish the document via the NZQA website no later than 3 October 2019.

Risks

8. The Annual Report provides an account of the performance of NZQA during 2018/19 and is unlikely to pose any risk.

Karen Poutasi (Dr) Chief Executive 19 September 2019

Hon Chris Hipkins Minister of Education