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**Reference**

**Your e-mail from**  
02 mei 2019

Date **25 JUNI 2019**

Subject Your request on the basis of the Government Information (Public Access) Act

Dear 

In your email of Thursday, May 2, 2019 received on Thursday, May 2, 2019 you requested information on the basis of the Government Information (Public Access) Act (*Wet openbaarheid van bestuur; WOB*).

You requested information about the Programme for International Student Assessment. You would like to receive the documents that were sent to the OECD (and their contractors) with the performed analyses and all results. These documents would have been sent to the OECD to support the involvement of the Netherlands in PISA 2015.

Receipt of your application was acknowledged in writing by letter of May 15, 2019 with reference no. 8386729. By letter of May 29, 2019 with reference no. 8472258 (2019-046) the time limit for taking a decision on the application was extended by four weeks until June 28, 2019, because it was not possible to decide on your application within four weeks. More time was necessary to ensure that the decision is taken with due care.

**1. Statutory framework**

Your application falls within the scope of the Government Information (Public Access) Act. Please refer to Annex 1 for the relevant articles of the Act.

**2. Specification of document**

In response to your application, one document has been found.

**3. Decision**

I have decided to disclose the document excluding the personal data they contain. The reasons for this decision are set out in section 4 of this decision.

*Within six weeks after this decision is sent, a written objection may be lodged with the Minister for Education, Culture and Science or the Minister for Primary and Secondary Education and Media. The notice of objection should be sent to: Ministry of Education, Culture and Science, t.a.v. DUO, Postbus 606, 2700 ML in Zoetermeer. The envelope should be marked 'Bezwaar'. Further information (in Dutch) on lodging objections can be found at: [www.bezwaarschriftenocw.nl](http://www.bezwaarschriftenocw.nl)*

#### **4. Considerations**

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Pursuant to Article 10, second paragraph, preamble and under e, of the WOB, the provision of information is not provided insofar as its importance does not outweigh the importance that privacy is respected.

The document contains personal data. I believe that with regard to this information, the importance of respecting privacy must outweigh the importance of public access. That is why I have deleted the personal data from this document.

As far as the names of civil servants are concerned, the following is important here. Admittedly, with regard to the professional functioning of civil servants, the importance of respecting their privacy can only be invoked to a limited extent. This is different if it concerns the publication of the names of the officials. After all, names are personal data and the importance of respecting privacy may preclude their disclosure. It is important here that it is not about giving a name to an individual citizen who comes into contact with an official, but about making the name public.

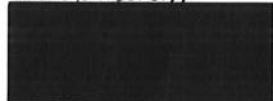
#### **5. Manner of disclosure**

The document will be sent to you by email.

#### **6. Posting of documents online**

This decision and the document that becomes available to the public as a result of this decision will be published at [www.rijksoverheid.nl](http://www.rijksoverheid.nl).

Yours sincerely,



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For the Minister for Primary and Secondary Education and Media