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Dear Bali

At the recent NASDAP Executive meeting, there was much discussion about issues that are affecting the daily lives of Assistant and Deputy Principals in New Zealand area and secondary schools.

These issues include:

1. There appears to be inconsistencies in practice being accepted. It is felt that there is a difference in some advice given by some SRM's.
2. The NCEA workload taskforce at PPTA on 17th November in 2010 was given a strong message about the "nitpicking" of some SRM's on an MNA visit.
3. Moderation procedures and the extra moderated material asked for by NZQA means that there is a lot of contradictory advice given to schools and we need to feel confident that the procedures are consistent from year to year and from region to region.
4. The increase in material being moderated means that there are workload issues for all teachers.

NASDAP Executive discussed at length these issues and it was felt that I should contact you on our behalf, to seek answers. I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

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