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Dear Scott

I refer to your request of 17 September 2021, via the FYI website, for a copy of *NZDDP-3.12 New Zealand Special Operations Doctrine*. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

This document has been written to provide serving military personnel an overview of how New Zealand's Special Operations Forces contribute to New Zealand's security. As a result, this Doctrine is withheld in full in accordance with section 6(a) of the OIA. If there is a specific aspect of New Zealand's Special Operations Forces that you are interested in, please contact the Defence Force directly via [ministerialservices@nzdf.mil.nz](mailto:ministerialservices@nzdf.mil.nz) or the contact form on the New Zealand Defence Force website.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to ask an Ombudsman to review this response to your request.

Yours sincerely

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