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Dear Liam Kiely

I refer to your email of 29 September 2021 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), *any and all information, including civilian and military reports, reports to the Minister of Defence, information shared between government agencies and the New Zealand Defence Force, including correspondence, relating to unidentified submerged objects, unidentified submerged objects with unusual capabilities such as travelling underwater at high velocity or the ability to travel through both air and water or any other unexplained underwater phenomena.*

No information related to your request has been located despite reasonable search efforts. Your request is therefore declined in accordance with section 18(g) of the OIA.

You retain a 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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