



1 November 2021

Victoria Muninn

By email: fyi-request-17018-4b7c0886@requests.fyi.org.nz

Ref: OIA-2021/22-0376

Dear Victoria Muninn

Official Information Act request relating to the US Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received on 3 October 2021. You requested:

"I require a list of all organisations subject to the Act who have a partnership or working relationship with the US Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency."

We are only in a position to respond to your request as it relates to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC). If you are interested in information about any such partnerships or working relationships with other government agencies, I suggest you approach them directly, if you have not done so already. Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission has a list of public service leaders with links to each of the relevant agency websites at: www.publicservice.govt.nz/our-work/psces/public-service-leaders.

We have undertaken searches of information held by DPMC and checked with those business units within DPMC that may hold relevant information. No information about any such partnership or working relationship with the United States Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency and DPMC has been identified. I am therefore refusing your request to DPMC under section 18(e) of the Act, on the basis that no such document exists.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

We do not intend to publish this response on DPMC's website.

Yours sincerely

Tony Lynch
**Deputy Chief Executive
National Security Group**