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Ref: OIA-2021/22-0908

Dear Scott

**Official Information Act request for the Annual National Maritime Security Assessment**

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request partially transferred from the Ministry of Transport on 26 January 2022. You requested:

*“1) The most recent Annual National Maritime Security Assessment”*

I have decided to withhold the *Annual National Maritime Security Assessment* in full under section 6(a) of the Act, to protect the security or defence of New Zealand or the international relations of the Government of New Zealand.

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 the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet’s website.

Yours sincerely

Tony Lynch  
**Deputy Chief Executive  
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