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Dear M. Fitzgibbon

I refer to your request of 19 April 2022, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), as follows:

Please provide both the actual numbers in a table and the information as graphs.

The total number of COVID-19 cases among, NZDF Civilian Employees by month and vaccination status, (see below).

The total number of COVID-19 cases among, NZDF Service Members by month and vaccination status.

The total number of COVID-19 cases, of both NZDF Civilian Employees and Service Members, combined by month and vaccination status.

(since June 2021)

As explained in the response to you of 2 May 2022 (OIA-2022-4375), the New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF) does not hold relevant health information for civilian staff. Those parts of your request seeking information on civilian staff are therefore declined in accordance with section 18(e) of the OIA.

With respect to your request for a breakdown of COVID-19 case numbers amongst Service Members, there have been 2,970 confirmed cases as of 13 May 2022. Of these, 411 have not currently completed all three doses, noting some cases (approximately 50) predated vaccine availability, and some are not yet due for a third dose. Any further breakdown would require a substantial research and collation effort. This part of your request is therefore declined in accordance with section 18(f) of the OIA.

Vaccination Status; Not vaccinated One vaccine dose Both Vaccine doses 3rd Dose, (Boosted) 4th Dose, (Double boosted)

Further to the response to you 2 May 2022, updated vaccination figures for each of the Services, correct as at 16 May 2022, are provided below:

## **Royal New Zealand Navy**

Green - 2,020 Amber - 113

Red - 142

## **New Zealand Army**

Green -4,151

Amber -217

Red - 180

## **Royal New Zealand Air Force**

Green -2,341

Amber -60

Red - 62

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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Air Commodore

Chief of Staff HQNZDF