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Tēnā koe Scott

I refer to your email of 23 May 2022, in which you requested, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), all Defence Weekly Reports I received, dated since the beginning of February.

On 21 June, I informed you of the decision to extend the time for responding with the 13 requested items by 60 working days.

These 13 documents are now enclosed. Certain information is withheld, as indicated in the documents, in accordance with the following grounds of the Act:

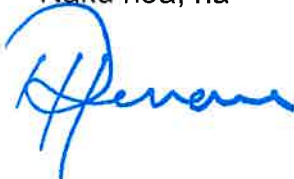
- section 6(a), as the release of this material would likely prejudice the security and defence of New Zealand, or the international relations of the Government of New Zealand
- section 6(b)(i), as the release of this information would likely prejudice the entrusting of information to the Government of New Zealand on a basis of confidence by another government
- section 9(2)(b)(ii), as the release of this information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information
- section 9(2)(ba)(ii), to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information would be likely otherwise to damage the public interest
- section 9(2)(f)(iv), to maintain the constitutional conventions for the time being which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials
- section 9(2)(g)(i), to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions
- section 9(2)(j) to enable a Minister of the Crown or any department to undertake negotiations without prejudice or disadvantage

- section 9(2)(a), to protect the contact details of staff.

Where information has been withheld under section 9(2), it is not considered that the public interest in this information outweighs the need to protect it.

Under section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to request an Ombudsman to investigate and review this response.

Nāku noa, nā



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Enclosed:

1. *Defence Weekly Report (week commencing 7 February 2022)*
2. *Defence Weekly Report (week commencing 14 February 2022)*
3. *Defence Weekly Report (week commencing 21 February 2022)*
4. *Defence Weekly Report (week commencing 28 February 2022)*
5. *Defence Weekly Report (week commencing 7 March 2022)*
6. *Defence Weekly Report (week commencing 14 March 2022)*
7. *Defence Weekly Report (week commencing 21 March 2022)*
8. *Defence Weekly Report (week commencing 28 March 2022)*
9. *Defence Weekly Report (week commencing 4 April 2022)*
10. *Defence Weekly Report (week commencing 11 April 2022)*
11. *Defence Weekly Report (week commencing 2 May 2022)*
12. *Defence Weekly Report (week commencing 9 May 2022)*
13. *Defence Weekly Report (week commencing 16 May 2022)*