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Dear Mike Hunua

I refer to your email of 31 August 2022 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), the following:

Has Fire and Emergency New Zealand approached the New Zealand Defence Force to provide any assistance or coverage of Fire and Emergency NZs response areas during industrial action by the NZ professional firefighters union and can the correspondents with Fire and Emergency be released if so.

While the New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF) received a request for assistance from Fire and Emergency New Zealand (FENZ), NZDF assistance was not required during the New Zealand Professional Firefighters' Union industrial action on 19 and 26 August 2022. No additional requests for NZDF assistance have been received from FENZ.

Relevant correspondence is enclosed. The names and contact details of operational personnel are withheld in accordance with section 6(a) of the OIA; the name and contact information of another member of the NZDF is withheld in accordance with section 9(2)(a) of the OIA. Where indicated, information concerning NZDF capability is also withheld in accordance with section 6(a) of the OIA.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to ask an Ombudsman to review this response to your request. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that responses to official information requests are proactively released where possible. This response to your request will be published shortly on the NZDF website.

Yours sincerely

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Enclosure:

1. Correspondence with FENZ