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Dear Corey-Jon

I refer to your email of 8 September 2022 requesting information, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). The following parts of your request were transferred to the New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF):

- 1) *Please provide me with the total number of New Zealand Defence Force staff or contractors, that hold dual citizenship with Chile.*
- 2) *Please provide me with the total number of New Zealand Defence Force staff or contractors, that hold dual citizenship with Argentina.*
- 3) *Please provide me with the total number of New Zealand Defence Force staff or contractors, that hold dual citizenship with Brazil.*
- 4) *Please provide me with the total number of New Zealand Defence Force staff or or contractors, that hold dual citizenship with Falkland island or Malvinas.*

There are no NZDF personnel nor any civilian staff who hold dual citizenship with the Falkland Islands or Islas Malvinas. For each of the other countries (Chile, Argentina and Brazil), there are less than five personnel or civilian staff who hold dual citizenship with the respective country. Given the very low numbers involved in this instance, the public interest in providing this figure does not outweigh the need to protect privacy in accordance with section 9(2)(a) of the OIA.

The citizenship status of contractors is not available, as contractors to the NZDF are not required to specify whether or not they hold dual citizenship. This part of your request is therefore declined in accordance with section 18(e) 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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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