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Dear N. S. Hudson

I refer to your email of 6 September 2023 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), the following:

*Please provide any and all information, including civilian and military reports, reports to any and all government ministers, and any and all information shared between other government agencies and the NZDF, including correspondence, other than that which was released in 2010 to the public archives, relating to:*

- i) Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena in New Zealand airspace, and in the airspace of our Pacific neighbors prior to 10 September, 2023.*
- ii) Unidentified aircraft in New Zealand airspace, and in the airspace of our Pacific neighbors prior to 10 September, 2023. (incase part i above returns a negative result)*

The New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF) does not hold civilian or military reports on *Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena* (UAP) or *unidentified aircraft*, nor has there been any correspondence from the NZDF on UAP or unidentified aircraft to government ministers or other government agencies. The NZDF does not monitor the airspace of our Pacific neighbours.

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.

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

**AJ WOODS**

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