



**AIRWAYS**

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N.S. Hudson

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Dear N.S,

### Official Information Act Request

We refer to your official information request dated 19 June 2024 and subsequent email in relation to the request dated 1 July 2024 for the following information:

***Dear Naoka Iwase,***

***Yes please the video is fine, I am particularly interested in that time to see if there was anything other than LATAM LA801 passing over Wairoa being picked up at that time, whether it be known or unknown.***

***I got up for a toilet trip while I was camping and something "extremely bright" was in the air after LAN801 had passed over. There was nothing else on ADSB at that time.***

***Yours sincerely,***

***N. S. Hudson***

***-----Original Message-----***

***Hi N.S.,***

***Could you please confirm if you are after the flight data between the hours of 3:45 AM and 4:15 AM NZT, as there are usually no flights at this time?***

***Also, if we are able to send a movie showing the flight data, is that fine with you? It will be much easier to see and understand the information compared to an Excel sheet.***

***Thank you.***

***Naoka Iwase***

***| Legal Counsel / OIA Advisor***

***-----Original Message-----***

***Dear Iwase, Naoka,***

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***Yes please, but also if there is an unidentified track where only partial information is obtainable, for it to be included with the info that is available, not left out please.***

***Thankyou.***

***Yours sincerely,***

***N. S. Hudson***

***-----Original Message-----***

***Hi N.S.,***

***Thank you for your email.***

***Please confirm that our understanding of your request is correct that you would like us to provide you with our flight data of 31 December 2023 between the hours of 3:45 AM and 4:15 AM NZT on the screen of Napier and Gisborne towers that contains the following:***

- Call sign***
- Wake Turbulence category***
- Aircraft type***
- Ground Speed***
- Current Altitude/Flight Level***
- Destination***
- Squawk code***

***Furthermore, you would also like us to add headings on each data field and timestamp.***

***Please note, any clarification or amendment of a request is considered to be a new request for the purpose of calculating the maximum statutory timeframe for response—see section 15(1AA) of the Official Information Act.***

***We look forward to hearing from you.***

***Thank you.***

***Naoka Iwase  
| Legal Counsel / OIA Advisor***

I have rechecked with our subject matter expert after receiving your latest email dated 1 July 2024 which you outlined your reason for the request in detail. I have been advised that the only flight showing on the radar during the specified time was LATAM LA801 at 40,000ft just about to start descending into Auckland and no other tracks can be found.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you want to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely



**Naoka Iwase**

Legal Counsel/OIA Advisor