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Dear Valerie

## RESPONSE TO YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your correspondence of 19 July 2014, in which you requested, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following:

*Please provide any information or advice to the Minister or NZDF regarding NZ participation in RIMPAC 2024.*

The Ministry of Defence has not provided any information or advice to the Minister of Defence nor the New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF). As such, your request is declined under section 18(e) of the Act as the information requested does not exist.

Please note that this response only covers Ministry information. If you are seeking NZDF information, you should direct your request to that agency. You can contact them here: <https://www.nzdf.mil.nz/media-centre/official-information-requests/>

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Richard Schmidt'.

Richard Schmidt  
Deputy Secretary Policy and Planning