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Dear Valerie Morse

I refer to your email of 18 July 2024 requesting the following:

I request a list of all bi-lateral, multilateral or other international training exercises that the NZDF has participated in or been invited to, but not participated in, in the past two years (since June 2022), a gist of what those exercises entail, and what assets and/or troops participated in each.

Your request has been considered in accordance with the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). The enclosed table provides information on training exercises that New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF) personnel participated in between June 2022 and July 2024. Details for one exercise are withheld in accordance with section 6(a) of the OIA to avoid prejudice to the security and defence of New Zealand and the international relations of the Government of New Zealand. The NZDF declined an invitation to attend a multi-national space event exercise that took place in France during March 2024.

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. NZDF international training exercises (June 2022 to July 2024)