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Dear Ms Morse

I refer to your email to the Ministry of Defence requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), information regarding Defence participation in the Military Communication and Information Systems Conference in 2014 and 2015. This letter addresses your request as it relates to the New Zealand Defence Force. I have addressed each of your questions separately below:

1. A copy of the speech given by Mr Victor Vae'au, CIO, NZDF at the Military communication and information systems conference (MILCIS) 2014

Accompanying this letter is a copy of the PowerPoint presentation used by Mr Victor Vae'au at the MILCIS conference. Mr Vae'au did not prepare written notes for his presentation, instead speaking to each of the presentation slides. Please note that deletions have been carried out to some pages of this presentation under section 6(a) of the OIA, to avoid prejudicing New Zealand's security or international relations.

2. What presence did the NZDF/MoD have at MILCIS 2014 other than Mr Victor Vae'au?

In 2014, two additional members of the NZDF attended the MILCIS conference along with Mr Vae'au.

3. What presence will the NZDF/MoD have at MILCIS 2015?

At this stage Mr Vae'au is the only NZDF member who will be attending MILCIS 2015, as he will be giving a presentation.

I trust this satisfies your request for information.

Yours sincerely

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