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Dear Ms Morse

YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

Thank you for your email of 18 December 2015, in which you requested, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), information regarding advice and communications around the Defence Industry Association annual conference created from 16 November 2015.

No advice related to the New Zealand Defence Industry Association conference was given to the Minister of Defence on or after 16 November 2015. The conference organisers were informed that the Minister of Defence was unable to attend the event on 11 November 2015.

The Ministry of Defence had no direct contact with Police at any stage of the conference.

No communication or media plans related to this event were created by, or shared with the Ministry of Defence.

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

Yours sincerely

Helene Quilter

Secretary of Defence