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**Ms Valerie Morse**

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Dear Ms Morse

I refer to your email of 12 May 2016 which was transferred to the New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF) on 13 May 2016 (received 16 May), requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), the following information:

*Please advise which countries have been invited to the international fleet review as part of the Navy's 75th birthday and which countries have thus far confirmed their participation.*

I must decline your request at this time pursuant to the following sections of the OIA:

1. 6(a) on the grounds that the making available of that information would be likely to prejudice the security or defence of New Zealand or the international relations of the Government of New Zealand; and
2. 6(b)(i) to prejudice the entrusting of information to the Government of New Zealand on a basis of confidence by the Government of any other country or any agency of such a Government.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to ask an Ombudsman to review my response to your request.

Yours sincerely



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