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Dear Mr Ewing-Jarvie

I refer to your email of 8 June 2016 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), the following information:

“a breakdown of NZDF Reserve Force numbers (to include the Royal New Zealand Navy Volunteer Reserve, the Territorial Air Force and the Territorial Force of the New Zealand Army) for each of the years 2010 to 2016 showing the numbers allocated respectively to High Readiness Reserve (or equivalent), Active Reserve and Standby Reserve”.

The number of personnel in the Reserve Forces of the Royal New Zealand Navy (RNZN), New Zealand Army and Royal New Zealand Air Force (RNZAF), broken down by Service as at 31 December 2010 to 2015 and as at 31 May 2016, is shown in Table 1 below.

Prior to 2014 the New Zealand Defence Force did not have the ability to capture the Reserve Force status (the Active Reserve or Standby Reserve); therefore I have provided the totals for each Service from 2010 to 2014 inclusive. The High Readiness Reserve is not used in the Reserve Forces.

Table 1. Total Reserve Force Personnel as at 31 December 2010-2015 and 31 May 2016:

Date	Status	RNZN	NZ ARMY	RNZAF	Total
31/12/2010	Reserve Total	332	1861	234	2427
31/12/2011	Reserve Total	312	1859	241	2412
31/12/2012	Reserve Total	292	1880	225	2397
31/12/2013	Reserve Total	363	1757	248	2368
31/12/2014	Active Reserve	191	1643	177	2011
	Standby Reserve	199	28	18	245
	Reserve Total	390	1671	195	2256

31/12/2015	Active Reserve	172	1620	187	1979
	Standby Reserve	260	39	19	318
	Reserve Total	432	1659	206	2297
31/05/2016	Ready Reserve	157	1603	165	1925
	Standby Reserve	277	60	39	376
	Reserve Total	434	1663	204	2301

I trust this satisfies your request for information.

Yours sincerely



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