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Dear Mr Bruce-Smith

## **YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST**

Thank you for your email of 3 August 2016, in which you requested, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), information regarding tugboats in the New Zealand Navy.

The information you have requested is more closely connected with the work of the New Zealand Defence Force. Accordingly, I am transferring your request to the New Zealand Defence Force in accordance with section 14(b)(i) of the Act.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Helene Quilter', with a large loop at the end.

Helene Quilter  
**Secretary of Defence**