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Dear Lance O'Riley

I refer to your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 27 October 2016 to the Office of the Prime Minister. Part two of your request was transferred to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade on 11 November 2016, and seeks the following under the OIA:

"2. Reasons why any previous ships from other nations (US or otherwise) have been declined under similar circumstances."

Since the enactment of the New Zealand Nuclear Free Zone, Disarmament, and Arms Control Act 1987 no foreign warship has been declined entry therefore, under section 18(e) of the OIA, I am refusing your request as this information does not exist.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek a review of this response by the Ombudsman.

Yours sincerely



Joana Johnston
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade