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Dear D Maclure

## YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

Thank you for your official information request of 15 May 2018. I apologise for the delay in this response, which was due to an administrative oversight.

You asked for the following information:

*"I am requesting information to cost of tendering related to upgrade military hardware in recent years.*

*Requesting for information to consider replacing C130 Hercules with newer military airlift options has this any progress to date?"*

I have answered your questions below.

The Ministry of Defence conducts tenders through the Government Electronic Tenders Service website: [www.gets.govt.nz](http://www.gets.govt.nz). There are no costs to using this service. We do not collate information on the specific costs relating to the preparation of tenders or evaluation of responses, as this work is done as part of the regular duties of Ministry and New Zealand Defence Force project personnel. The Ministry's annual report sets out the costs of its operations as well as the costs to the Crown for individual projects. This is available on our website: <https://www.defence.govt.nz/publications/>.

In relation to the replacement of the C-130 Hercules, options for potential replacement aircraft have been explored through an open Request for Information issued in 2016, which resulted in a comprehensive range of responses from manufacturers and operators. The Future Air Mobility Capability project team have engaged with aircraft manufacturers to obtain more refined information on a range of aircraft types. It is expected that we will provide advice to the government on replacement options later this year.

If you have any further questions about the information provided, you can email us at: [MODMinisterialServices@defence.govt.nz](mailto:MODMinisterialServices@defence.govt.nz).

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

Thank you for taking the time to write.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'H' and 'Q' followed by a horizontal line.

Helene Quilter  
**Secretary of Defence**