Hon Ron Mark

Minister of Defence Minister for Veterans



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Simon Ewing-Jarvie fyi-request-8376-88d52acb@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Ewing-Jarvie

I refer to your request of 24 July 2018, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), as follows:

What additional funding has been provided to the New Zealand Defence Force to support the extensions of peacekeeping mandates to 30 September 2018 for personnel deployed to the Afghanistan National Army Officer Academy or the Multinational Force and Observers, Sinai. Egypt?

Cabinet agreed that expenses related to the extension of the two deployments, to 30 September 2018, may be charged against the tagged Operating Contingency established as part of Budget 17 for Military Operations in Support of a Rules-Based International Order.

Funding has been approved of \$1.123M.

Pursuant to section 28(3) of the OIA you have the right to complain to an Ombudsman about my response to your request.

Yours sincerely

Ben McLachlan

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Senior Ministerial Advisor