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Dear Mr Ewing-Jarvie

Thank you for your email of 11 October 2018 in which you requested the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

“What additional funding has been provided to the New Zealand Defence Force to support the extensions of peacekeeping mandates announced on 17 September 2018 for personnel deployed to the Afghanistan National Army Officer Academy, the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS), the United Nations Truce Supervision Organisation (UNTSO) in the Golan Heights and Lebanon, the Multinational Force and Observers (MFO) mission in the Sinai Peninsula, Egypt and the Building Partner Capacity (BPC) training mission (and associated staff officers) in Iraq?”

The Cabinet papers on these deployments set out the cost and funding implications. These papers will be released on the Ministry of Defence website before the end of the year. As a result, I am declining your request under section 18(d) of the Act.

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ben McLachlan'.

Ben McLachlan
Senior Ministerial Advisor