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Dear Kay Gladstone

## YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

Thank you for your email of 27 February 2019 in which you request, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982, information regarding the theft of medals and militaria, in particular;

1. *Correspondence between the New Zealand Military Advisor in London and the Director of the National Army Museum in London, William Reid, from 1978 to 1987.*
2. *Correspondence between New Zealand senior officers and Baron Ballantrae (Brigadier Sir Bernard Fergusson, former Governor General of New Zealand). From 1978 to 1980.*
3. *Any records relating to the medal collecting activities in New Zealand of Major Rex Clark (1935 to 1978) of the Australian Army.*

We have consulted with the New Zealand Defence Force, and neither the Ministry of Defence nor the New Zealand Defence Force hold any information regarding your request. As the request you have made is better addressed by New Zealand Police, I am transferring your Official Information Act request to them. This is in accordance with section 14(b)(ii) of the Act.

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carol Douglass', written in a cursive style.

Carol Douglass  
Deputy Secretary of Governance, People & Executive Services