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OIA-2018-3054

18 May 2018

Andrew Riddell

fyi-request-7672-a992c782@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Riddell

I refer to your email of 19 April 2018, requesting under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), all communications and advice relating to the processing and responding to your two previous requests.

Enclosed is all correspondence and advice relating to the processing and responding to your two previous requests (OIA-2018-2926 and OIA-2018-2926.1). Where identified, duplicate email trails have only been provided once. The names and contact details of staff have been withheld to protect privacy and prevent staff information being used for malicious and inappropriate purposes. Respectively, this is in accordance with sections 9(2)(a) and 9(2)(k) of the OIA. The public interest in releasing this information does not outweigh the reasons to withhold it in this instance.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to ask an Ombudsman to review this response to your request.

Yours sincerely

G.R. SMITH

Commodore, RNZN
Chief of Staff HQNZDF

Enclosure:

1. Correspondence

s 9(2)(a)

From: Ministerial Services
Sent: Thursday, 14 December 2017 3:24 p.m.
To: s 9(2)(a)
Subject: FW: Official Information request - Operations Takapu and Troy

-----Original Message-----

From: Andrew Riddell [mailto:fyi-request-7024-9362d834@requests.fyi.org.nz]
Sent: Thursday, 14 December 2017 3:02 p.m.
To: Ministerial Services <ministerialservices@nzdf.mil.nz>
Subject: Official Information request - Operations Takapu and Troy

Dear New Zealand Defence Force,

Please provide copies of all briefings made to the Minister of Defence in relation to Operation Takapu and in relation to Operation Troy.

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I am a New Zealand citizen, resident in New Zealand.

Nga mihi,

Andrew Riddell

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s 9(2)(a)

From: s 9(2)(a) WGCDR
Sent: Friday, 19 January 2018 3:58 p.m.
To: s 9(2)(a)
Subject: FW: OIA-2017-2926 (Riddell)

Gents,

s 9(2)(a) has done as much research as can be achieved at this stage. Could we catch-up Tues afternoon (23rd) to discuss?

Regards,

Wing Commander s 9(2)(a)

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From: s 9(2)(a) LTCDR
Sent: Friday, 19 January 2018 2:21 p.m.
To: s 9(2)(a) WGCDR ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)
Subject: FW: OIA-2017-2926 (Riddell)

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(that I can find) which relate to Op TROY in its current role, either prior to decisions being made to proceed or prior to implementation.

LTCDR s 9(2)(a)


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From: s 9(2)(a)

Sent: Tuesday, 16 January 2018 3:06 p.m.

To: s 9(2)(a) LTCDR ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)

Subject: RE: OIA-2017-2926 (Riddell)

Hi s 9(2)(a) – interesting – largely, s 9(2)(a) did a trawl of OCDF's tracking register – now retired as the tracking has moved to DDMS (attached):



Copy of OCDF
Log of Ministers...

The years are separated by tab, the serial is down the left – I've pulled them from the document and listed them below (in red), and from DDMS as well.

s 9(2)(a)

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From: s 9(2)(a) LTCDR

Sent: Tuesday, 16 January 2018 1:44 p.m.

To: ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)

Subject: RE: OIA-2017-2926 (Riddell)

Hi s 9(2)(a)

Are there any subjects associated with the numbers?

There shouldn't be any docs for TAKAPU prior to about 2014 which is when TAKAPU was first deployed as a mission....

Regards,

s 9(2)(a)

LTCDR s 9(2)(a)

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From: s 9(2)(a)

Sent: Monday, 15 January 2018 2:23 p.m.

To: s 9(2)(a) LTCDR ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)

Subject: RE: OIA-2017-2926 (Riddell)

Hi s 9(2)(a) cheers – yes I can, s 9(2)(a) came up with the following:

TAKAPU

2011/232 - **PROPOSAL AND OPTIONS FOR NZDF CONTRIBUTION TO AUSTRALIAN LED COALITION MARITIME SECURITY TASK FORCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND INDIAN OCEAN - C150** (ADF Command of CTF 150 and a deployment of RNZN boat's crew in HMAS MELBOURNE)

2013/379 - **PROPOSED CHANGES TO NZDF CONTRIBUTIONS TO MULTINATIONAL MARITIME SECURITY OPERATIONS IN THE GULF OF ADEN/INDIAN OCEAN 2013-2014** (CAB Paper update – to Cab – on Op TIKI)

2014/308 - **NEW ZEALAND DEPLOYMENTS TO MULTILATERAL MARITIME SECURITY OPERATIONS UPDATE** (Originated by OCDF (I think))

2015/169 - **UPDATE FOR MINISTER OF DEFENCE - OPERATION TAKAPU (S)**

2015/214 - **OPERATION TAKAPU INCIDENT REPORT (S)**

2015/505 - **INVITATION TO THE RETURN OPERATION TAKAPU ON 9 DECEMBER 2015** (Originated by OCDF – CoS)

2016/432 - **Brief on Operation Takapu 2017 - Deployment of an Air Surveillance Task Unit to the Middle East Region** (can't find this one)

2017/052 - **Rules of Engagement Operation Takapu (Legal)**

TROY

2013/071 - **STAFF VISIT OF NZDF LOGISTICS SPECIALIST TO OP TROY s 6(a)**

2013/639 - **OP TROY: ROUTINE RELIEF IN PLACE**

2013/642 - **COMJFNZ OPERATIONAL VISIT - PORT VISIT OF HMNZS TE MANA, OPERATION TIKI VI SUPPORT PERSONNEL, PLUS VISITS TO OPERATIONS FARAD, SCORIA AND TROY**

2014/007 - **OP TROY: ROUTINE RELIEF IN PLACE**

2014/040 - **OPERATIONS TROY AND FARAD: ROUTINE LESSON COLLECTION TEAM VISIT**

2014/050 - **OP TROY: ELECTRICAL COMPLIANCE STAFF VISIT**

s 9(2)(a)

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From: s 9(2)(a) LTCDR
Sent: Monday, 15 January 2018 11:01 a.m.
To: ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)
Subject: FW: OIA-2017-2926 (Riddell)

Hi s 9(2)(a)

I've started to have a look through our files, are you able to send me a copy of the list you have put together – that may speed up the search?

Regards,

s 9(2)(a)

LTCDR s 9(2)(a)

Assistant Director Strategic Commitments (Global), Strategic Commitments and Engagement Branch

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From: s 9(2)(a) GPCAPT
Sent: Thursday, 11 January 2018 12:22 p.m.
To: s 9(2)(a) LTCDR ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k) : s 9(2)(a) ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)
Cc: s 9(2)(a) WGCDR ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)
Subject: FW: OIA-2017-2926 (Riddell)

s 9(2)(a) – can you please have a look at this – I would say that the list s 9(2)(a) has should be the starting point, and in theory the end point.

Group Captain s 9(2)(a)

Director Strategic Commitments

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From: s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Thursday, 11 January 2018 12:12 p.m.
To: s 9(2)(a) GPCAPT ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)
Cc: ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)
Subject: FW: OIA-2017-2926 (Riddell)

Good afternoon s 9(2)(a)

Would your area be able to assist with the request below?

Regards

s 9(2)(a)

Manager Defence Attaché Support Services

Dtln: ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)

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Mobile:

From: s 9(2)(a)

Sent: Thursday, 11 January 2018 12:09 p.m.

To: ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)

Subject: OIA-2017-2926 (Riddell)

Hi s 9(2)(a) – happy new year.

We've received a request as follows:

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I am specifically interested in

-- any briefings, emails, letters, or reports, etc, made to the Minister of Defence, or his office, before the decision was made to proceed with Operation Takapu

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-- any briefings, emails, letters, or reports, etc, made to the Minister of Defence, or his office, on the implementation of Operation Troy.

I've been directed that SCE is best positioned to pull this together (although we've been able to put together a list to start with by searching the sent-to-the-Minister record, which may help kick things off) – I'm terrible at keeping abreast of who does what in SCE – can you please point me to who I should talk to about this?

Many thanks!

s 9(2)(a)

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From: Ministerial Services
Sent: Thursday, 1 February 2018 4:07 p.m.
To: 'fyi-request-7024-9362d834@requests.fyi.org.nz'
Subject: [UNCLASSIFIED] Re: information request | notification of extension

Good afternoon Mr Riddell

Please find attached notification of an extension to your request:



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Regards

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From: s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Thursday, 22 February 2018 4:34 p.m.
To: s 9(2)(a) WGCDR; s 9(2)(a)
Cc: s 9(2)(a)
Subject: RE: OIA-2017-2926 (Riddell)

Thanks, s 9(2)(a)

I would disagree with your para 11 redaction; this appears to be open source and was announced by NZDF in July 2015 on the website – I think we'd struggle to justify that to the Ombudsman.

From: s 9(2)(a) WGCDR
Sent: Thursday, 22 February 2018 4:30 p.m.
To: ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)
Cc: ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)
<FAY.BATCHELOR@defence.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: OIA-2017-2926 (Riddell)

Hi s 9(2)(a)

1. As discussed, PFA my additional redactions for the MSSO paper (highlighted in yellow).

<< File: W-NZDF Contributions to MSO in the MER 2015 - 2020 [SCE redactions].pdf >>

No changes proposed to the Operations TROY & TAKAPU document.

2. In terms of additional comment, I've lifted the TROY piece straight out of the paper for consistency; the TAKAPU piece is off-the-cuff:

Operation TROY

The mission name Operation TROY was originally assigned to a New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF) P3K Orion Aircraft Air Surveillance Task Unit, prior to deployment to the Middle East in 2003. On return of the P3K Orion to New Zealand in 2004, the mission name was transferred to the NZDF Logistics Hub which remained in the Middle East to support, and continues to support, the various missions and operations deployed to the region. Operation TROY is mandated under the attached Cabinet approval.

Operation TAKAPU

The mission name Operation TAKAPU was assigned to a New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF) P3K Orion Aircraft Air Surveillance Task Unit whilst it was deployed to the Middle East in 2014. Operation TAKAPU is mandated under the attached Cabinet approval

How does that sound?

Regards,

Wing Commander s 9(2)(a)

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From: s 9(2)(a) WGCDR
Sent: Thursday, 22 February 2018 9:30 a.m.
To: s 9(2)(a) WGCDR ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)

Cc: ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)
Subject: RE: OIA-2017-2926 (Riddell)

Hi s 9(2)(a)

Since the requester only asked for material (briefings, etc) provided to the Minister, the 2. June 2017: Programme of Commitments to MER 2018-2023. Is not in scope and will not be provided.

I have attached a draft redacted version of the MSO and a series of summary updates from the weekly reports regarding Takapu and Troy.

<< File: W-NZDF Contributions to MSO in he MER 2015 - 2020.pdf >> << File: Operations Troy.docx >>

We will make use of the descriptions of the operations from the BIM. s 9(2)(a) could you provide a blurb/key points regarding the period of time these ops have been in place/names have been used (particularly Troy)? We will use this to explain why a small amount of info is being provided.

Would appreciate feedback/changes by close of play tomorrow, Friday.

Cheers

s 9(2)(a)

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Mgr Corp & Ministerial Services - OCDF, Office of Chief of Defence Force
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To: ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)
Cc: ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)

Subject: FW: OIA-2017-2926 (Riddell)

s 9(2)(a)

Copies of the MSSO Cabinet Paper (un-redacted) as discussed. Not sure why the first one was scanned into two documents.

1. September 2015: Programme of Commitments to MER 2015-2018

<< File: 150902 NZDF Contributions to MSO in he MER 2015 - 2020 - Part 2 of 2.pdf >> << File: 150902 NZDF Contributions to MSO in he MER 2015 - 2020 - Part 1 of 2.pdf >>
2. June 2017: Programme of Commitments to MER 2018-2023

<< File: 170530 FINAL June Commitments to MSSO MER 2018-2023.pdf >>
Looping **s 9(2)(a)** (MOD IB) in for situational awareness.

This may be all that can be provided in response to this OIA.

Regards,

Wing Commander s 9(2)(a)

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LTCDR s 9(2)(a)

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From: s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Wednesday, 28 February 2018 4:37 p.m.
To: s 9(2)(a)
Subject: [SEEMAIL] [RESTRICTED] OIA-2018-2926 (Riddell)

Good afternoon all

For OMD consideration of OIA response prior to NZDF release, please find attached the original request (received via FYI website), cover sheet, draft response and enclosures as for release:



FW: Official Information req...



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s 9(2)(a) as discussed, pre-redaction copy of enclosure one follows:



150902 NZDF Contributions to...

Many thanks

s 9(2)(a)
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s 9(2)(a)

From: s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Friday, 2 March 2018 10:47 a.m.
To: s 9(2)(a)
Cc: s 9(2)(a)
Subject: RE: [SEEMAIL] NZDF OIA-2018-2926
Attachments: [SEEMAIL] [RESTRICTED] OIA-2018-2926 (Riddell)

Hi s 9(2)(a) unless I've missed something, everything should have been in my email of 28 Feb (attached)

Thanks

s 9(2)(a)

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From: s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Friday, 2 March 2018 10:13 a.m.
To: ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)
Subject: FW: [SEEMAIL] NZDF OIA-2018-2926

From: s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Thursday, 1 March 2018 3:56 p.m.
To: s 9(2)(a)
Cc: s 9(2)(a)
Subject: RE: [SEEMAIL] NZDF OIA-2018-2926

Hi s 9(2)(a) I don't recall dropping off said hard copy? Are my wires crossed, or someone else's??

s 9(2)(a)

s 9(2)(a) | Senior Foreign Affairs Adviser
Office of Rt Hon Winston Peters, Minister of Foreign Affairs
s 9(2)(a)

From: s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Thursday, 1 March 2018 3:30 PM
To: s 9(2)(a)
Cc: ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)
Subject: [SEEMAIL] NZDF OIA-2018-2926

s 9(2)(a)

No issue with release of subject OIA (TAKAPU/TROY). Pse send me an ecopy of the whole package you dropped off as hardcopy.

Thanks

s 9(2)(a)

Military Secretary to the Minister of Defence

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From: s 9(2)(a) (ISED) ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)
Sent: Friday, 2 March 2018 5:22 p.m.
To: s 9(2)(a)
Cc: ESD; s 9(2)(a) (ESD); s 9(2)(a) (ISED)
Subject: FW: For review: Request for input from Defence: [seemail][in confidence] OIA request
Attachments: W-NZDF Contributions to MSO in he MER 2015 - 2020.pdf

[SEEMAIL] [IN CONFIDENCE]

Hi s 9(2)(a)

s 9(2)(a) asked that we get back to you by the end of the week so apologies for emailing direct but I realised we're out of time.

We have two minor additions – can you redact the reference to the s 6(a) in the third bullet point on page 1 (s6(a)) and in para 17 could you redact the text in brackets s 9(2)(g)(i) under s9(2)(g)(i).

Thanks very much,

s 9(2)(a)

s 9(2)(a)

Unit Manager
International Security and Disarmament Division
New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade | Manatū Aorere

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From: s 9(2)(a) (ESD)
Sent: Wednesday, 28 February 2018 2:58 p.m.
To: s 9(2)(a) (ISED); s 9(2)(a) (ISED)
Cc: ESD
Subject: For review: Request for input from Defence: [seemail][in confidence] OIA request

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Hi s 9(2)(a)

Please see attached paper from Defence, requesting MFAT's input before they release it (with redactions) to s 9(2)(a) next week.

s 9(2)(a) has apologised for the tight turnaround, and asked if someone could possibly get back to him this week with our views?

Thanks,

s 9(2)(a)

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Acting Manager
Executive Services Division
New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade | Manatū Aorere

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From: ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)

Sent: Wednesday, 28 February 2018 2:40 p.m.

To: s 9(2)(a) (ESD)

Subject: [seemail][in confidence] OIA request

*** [SEEMAIL] This message may contain classified information ***

Hi s 9(2)(a)

Sorry for the late notice on this one, have been swamped recently and this slipped from sight.

The request is for the following:

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- any briefings, emails, letters, or reports, etc, made to the Minister of Defence, or his office, on the implementation of Operation Takapu; and including any reports, etc relating to the consideration of extending this operation beyond January 2018;
- any briefings, emails, letters, or reports, etc, made to the Minister of Defence, or his office, on the implementation of Operation Troy.

The only briefing document NZDF and MoD could find in scope is attached. The response is due Monday and would appreciate any input from MFAT by the end of this week if possible.

Feel free to contact me if there are any questions.

Cheers

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From: Ministerial Services
Sent: Monday, 5 March 2018 12:35 p.m.
To: 'fyi-request-7024-9362d834@requests.fyi.org.nz'
Subject: [UNCLASSIFIED] Re: information request - Operations Takapu and Troy

Good afternoon Mr Riddell

Please find attached a response to your request for information:



OIA-2017-2926_...

Regards

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s 9(2)(a)

From: s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Wednesday, 7 March 2018 11:13 a.m.
To: s 9(2)(a)
Cc: s 9(2)(a)
Subject: RE: [SEEMAIL] Release of OIA 2926

Hi s 9(2)(a), further to s 9(2)(a) email, the request was made via the FYI website, so our response will be available on that platform.

s 9(2)(a)

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From: s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Wednesday, 7 March 2018 10:39 a.m.
To: s 9(2)(a)
Cc: ss 9(2)(a) 9(2)(k)
Subject: [SEEMAIL] Release of OIA 2926

s 9(2)(a)

It was released on 4 Mar. As the requester emailed his request to us we scanned and emailed the reply back to him.

s 9(2)(a)

From: s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Wednesday, 7 March 2018 10:30 a.m.
To: s 9(2)(a)
Cc: s 9(2)(a)
Subject: [SEEMAIL] Release of OIA 2926
Importance: High

s 9(2)(a)

Please confirm when OIA 2926 was released (and was it emailed or posted hardcopy)?

Thanks

s 9(2)(a)

Military Secretary to the Minister of Defence

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From: Ministerial Services
Sent: Monday, 12 March 2018 6:44 a.m.
To: s 9(2)(a)
Subject: FW: Official Information request - Unredacted copy of cabinet paper

-----Original Message-----

From: Andrew Riddell [mailto:fyi-request-7422-2abe1b4e@requests.fyi.org.nz]
Sent: Saturday, 10 March 2018 12:12 p.m.
To: Ministerial Services <ministerialservices@nzdf.mil.nz>
Subject: Official Information request - Unredacted copy of cabinet paper

Dear New Zealand Defence Force,

Thank you for answering my request about information about Operations Takapu and Troy.

One of the documents you provided was a cabinet paper from September 2015, NZDF tracking number 373/15, titled "New Zealand Defence Force Contributions to Maritime Security Operations in the Middle East Region 2015-2020.

Several parts of this relevant document were deleted as "out of scope". As the person making the request I consider that I should be the person who makes that judgement, not the Defence Force. I note that "out of scope" is not a grounds for refusing to provide information set out in the Official Information Act.

Please provide a complete copy of this cabinet paper without redactions and without "out of scope" removals.

Can you also please confirm that there are no briefings, email, letter or reports leading to the decision to proceed with Operations Troy and Takapu in 2003. If there are, in fact, such reports, etc., please provide them.

Nga mihi,

Andrew Riddell

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Ministerial Services

From: Andrew Riddell <fyi-request-7422-2abe1b4e@requests.fyi.org.nz>
Sent: Wednesday, 11 April 2018 7:10 p.m.
To: Ministerial Services
Subject: Re: Official Information request - Unredacted copy of cabinet paper

Dear New Zealand Defence Force,

It is now over 20 working days and you have not provided the information I requested.

When may I expect the information?

Nga mihi

Andrew Riddell

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From: Ministerial Services
Sent: Thursday, 12 April 2018 1:14 p.m.
To: 'fyi-request-7422-2abe1b4e@requests.fyi.org.nz'
Subject: [UNCLASSIFIED] Re: information request - unredacted copy of cabinet paper

Good afternoon Mr Riddell

Please find attached a response to your request for information:



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Regards

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