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Dear Edwin Hollier

I refer to your email of 13 July 2019 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

"...any input you have made into the defence property portfolio review. My focus is the effect that reducing the number of defence sites would have on our defence reputation in world eyes."

We have interpreted your request to relate to the review of the Defence estate footprint that was announced by the Minister of Defence, Hon Ron Mark, on 11 July 2019 here: <https://www.beehive.govt.nz/release/terms-reference-defence-estate-review-released>.

I am advised that to date, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade has not provided any input into the defence property portfolio review. Accordingly, to the extent your request has been made under the OIA, I am refusing your request under section 18(e) of the OIA as the information requested does not exist.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details redacted) may be published on the Ministry's website.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek a review of this response by the Ombudsman.

Yours sincerely

Wendy Adams
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade