

Hon Peeni Henare

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Scott

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Tēnā koe Scott

Thank you for your request of 19 January 2022, seeking the following information pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

...a list of all briefings Minister Henare has received from NZDF and the Ministry of Defence since taking on the Minister of Defence portfolio, including

- 1) *The title of the briefing*
- 2) *The date received*
- 3) *The agency of origin (NZDF or MoD)*
- 4) *The reference number*

A list of briefings that I have received as Minister of Defence is generally prepared for public release each month. These lists do not provide a reference number for documents, nor do they identify the agency of origin. Many of the briefings from the New Zealand Defence Force and the Ministry of Defence are joint briefings. It would require a substantial research and collation effort to review each document for this additional information given the scope of your request. This part of your request is therefore declined in accordance with section 18(f) of the Act.

Enclosed are copies of lists of briefings I received as Minister of Defence from 6 November 2020 to 28 February 2021. The titles of some documents are withheld in accordance with the Act as noted.

Lists of briefings I received as Minister of Defence from 1 March to 15 December 2021 are publicly available on the Parliamentary website in response to the below Written Questions. In some cases titles have been withheld in accordance with Speakers Rulings as noted in the answers:

11772 (2021)	19906 (2021)	20529 (2021)	24095 (2021)
31251 (2021)	33925 (2021)	43031 (2021)	45330 (2021)
49617 (2021)	55276 (2021)	55856 (2021)	57266 (2021)

Since then, and as at the time of your request, I have received one joint briefing from the New Zealand Defence Force (ref: 2022-002) and the Ministry of Defence (ref 001-2022) on 17 January 2022. The title is withheld in accordance with sections 6(a) and 6(d) of the Act.

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

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peeni Henare', written in a cursive style.

Hon Peeni Henare
Minister of Defence

Enclosures:

1. Defence Briefings 6 November 2020 – 31 January 2021
2. Defence Briefings 1 January – 28 February 2021