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Dear Cher

RESPONSE TO YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your email of 19 February, in which you requested, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

...These images are from 18th February 2024, Who's owns those aircraft? What corporations Governments and individuals are carrying out your operations??

Who is really running our Country NZ?? Really interested in knowing how long it's really been going on?

No attachments were enclosed with your information request.

The Ministry of Defence is a civilian agency that is responsible for the development of defence policy, international defence engagements and the delivery of major capability projects. Details about the aircraft operated by the New Zealand Defence Force are available on their website here: https://www.nzdf.mil/nzdf/our-equipment/aircraft. Questions about the operation of these aircraft can be put to the NZDF in the first instance.

The Ministry does not track the ownership of aircraft. To learn more about privately-owned registered aircraft, you can complete an aircraft register search through the Civil Aviation Authority of New Zealand website at: https://aviation.govt.nz/aircraft/aircraft-register-search/.

With regard to other points raised in your email regarding solar engineering and AI trolls, the Ministry does not hold any relevant information and has no grounds to believe information is held by another agency, pursuant to section 18(g) the Act.

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

Yours sincerely

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