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Ref: OIA-2024/25-0108

Dear Tom Wells

Official Information Act request relating to NZDF personnel in Jordan

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received on 30 July 2024. You requested:

"I am writing to request any further information about the deployment of NZDF personnel to Jordan in relation to the NZDF Contribution to Defeat ISIS in Iraq, relating to this document: https://www.defence.govt.nz/assets/publications/NZ-Military-Contribution-to-Defeat-ISIS-in-Iraq.pdf

As well as this cabinet decision: CAB decision March 2017 CAB-17-MIN-0081)

In particular, the type of personnel (intelligence, Technicians, Combat) etc, and what roles they would have carried out."

The information you have requested is not held by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC), but I believe it may be held by the New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF). Ordinarily I would transfer your request to the NZDF under section 14b(i) of the Act, but I am informed that you have already made your request to the NZDF. I instead refer you to their response.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

We do not intend to publish this response on DPMC's website.

Yours sincerely

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