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Valerie Morse

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Dear Ms Morse

I refer to your email of 29 May 2016 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

...the estimated expenses and business case for the Navy's 75th birthday commemorations.

Noting some figures have changed since the business case was prepared, the current estimated expenses and sponsorship for the commemorations are as follows:

Operation NEPTUNE Costs

Events and Activities:	\$1.46M
Fundamental Costs:	\$1.03M (port services, border clearance, boat charter, etc)
Contingency:	\$0.09M (3.7% total costs)
<u>Total Costs:</u>	\$2.58M
Cash Sponsorship:	\$0.585M
Contra Sponsorship:	\$0.018M (direct budgetary offset)
<u>Net Costs:</u>	\$1.977M

Please find enclosed a copy of the requested business case. Information has been withheld under sections 6(a), 9(2)(a) and 9(2)(f)(iv) of the OIA. Respectively: where the release of this information would be likely to prejudice the security or defence of New Zealand or the international relations of the Government of New Zealand; to protect personal privacy; and to maintain constitutional conventions for the time being which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by officials.

I trust this satisfies your request for information, however, you retain the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to ask an Ombudsman to review my response to your request.

Yours sincerely



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