



14 December 2017

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Dear Mr Luke

## YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST TRANSFER

Thank you for your email of 7 December 2018, in which you requested the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*“Could you please advise progress for the establishment of a New Zealand Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal as described in the petition of Thomas Peter Alan Ward and the submission heard in parliament in July 2017.”*

The information you have requested is more closely connected with the work of the New Zealand Defence Force. As a result, I am transferring your request to the New Zealand Defence Force in accordance with section 14(b)(ii) of the Act.

They have 20 working days from receipt of the transfer to make a decision on this request. You can contact them by email at: [ministerialservices@nzdf.mil.nz](mailto:ministerialservices@nzdf.mil.nz) should you wish to follow up on your request.

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Carol Douglass'.

Carol Douglass  
Deputy Secretary Governance, People and Executive Services

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