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Dear [REDACTED]

I refer to your email of 17 September 2022 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982(OIA), the following:

- *A list containing all new or upgraded equipment options which are currently under consideration by the Army; or have been considered, or such items which have been procured without being adopted in the last 12 months*
- *I would like this list to contain: the date consideration was first raised, the status of any evaluation, the number of any items held by the Army or previously obtained by the Army (broken down by type, such as ammunition/ dispenser/ carriage options; and amount of stock currently held and the amount discharged)*
- *Please ensure details around any types of items procured are given, including model numbers/ names and manufacturer's name*

On 21 September 2022 you refined your request to:

...please restrict it to equipment within the following categories where individual items cost more than (or are likely to cost more than) \$100: Military/field equipment (excluding standard-issue clothing), communications equipment, ICT equipment (including software packages), crowd control/ public order equipment, and transport/logistics equipment.

The New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF) has approximately 138,000 discrete lines of supply and 1,400 equipment line items, along with 50 major platforms across maritime, land and air domains. The New Zealand Army is a major user of these items, but it does not procure new or upgraded equipment. Its remit covers the rolling refresh of equipment or component parts (like for like) for existing capabilities. The table at Enclosure 1 provides a list of equipment acquired for the Army from 21 September 2021, and awaiting adoption for operational use as at 31 September 2022. Further details for some equipment are withheld in accordance with section 6(a) of the OIA.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to ask an Ombudsman to review this response to your request. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that responses to official information requests are proactively released where possible. This response to your request will be published shortly on the NZDF website, with your personal information removed.

Yours sincerely



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Enclosure:

1. Equipment procured for Army since 2021

Released under the Official Information Act 1982

Equipment procured for Army since 2021

Equipment Name	Further Procurement Pending	Manufacturer and Model Name	Equipment Numbers
Sustained Fire Machine Gun – optics and accessories	No	Section 6(a)	Primary capability not replaced. This project upgrades optics and other accessories
Search Detect Demolition (Unmanned Ground Vehicle) – accessories and consumables	No	Section 6(a)	Primary capability not replaced. This project upgrades accessories and other consumables
Combat Engineer Water Purification	Yes	Chemicals & Training	Accessories only for training and courses
DAG MHE Small Forklift	No	Manitou MLT-X 625 75H & Spares	9
DAG MHE Medium Forklift	Yes	Manitou MHT-X 10130 & Spares	1
DAG MHE Large Forklift	No	Manitou MHT-X 10230 & Spares	4
Operational Hygiene and Catering Systems - Showers	No	GDS PDS3500	13
Operational Hygiene and Catering Systems - Kitchens	No	GDS PFC500	10
Garrison and Training Support Project	Yes	Various items and suppliers	Mixed quantities of small tooling
Designated Marksman Weapon – optics and accessories	Yes	Section 6(a)	Primary capability not replaced. This project upgrades optics and other accessories
NZDF Deployable Fuel Test Kit	Yes	NZDF assembled kits	Each kit is made up of fuel testing consumables
Common Command Post Operating Environment - Tents	No	HDT. Different models (HDT 102 x 3, HDT 203 x 12, HDT 305 x 2) of tents purchased	15
Common Command Post Operating Environment - Generators 8KVA	No	Eniquest 16KVA	8
Common Command Post Operating Environment - Generators 16KVA	No	Eniquest 8KVA	10