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Dear

I refer to your email of 19 July 2023 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), the following information:

The schedule for P-8A Poseidon aircraft to return to the United States of America for spiral upgrades over the next three years. The most recent date on which a Penguin anti-ship missile was successfully fired. The number of unsuccessful attempts to fire a Penguin anti-ship missile in the last two years.

There are no P-8A Poseidon aircraft scheduled to return to the United States of America for spiral upgrades over the next three years.

The New Zealand Defence Force has not conducted a successful firing of the Penguin antiship missile, and there have been no unsuccessful attempts to fire a penguin missile in the last two years.

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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