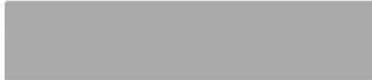




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Dear [REDACTED]

I refer to your email of 7 September 2023 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), the following information.

any available data on the number of Reserve Force personnel who list their primary occupation as "Student/Tertiary Student".

The occupations held by personnel enlisted in the Reserve Forces of the New Zealand Defence Force is not information that is held in a single data repository. The information you have requested is only obtainable by a manual search through thousands of individual personnel files. Your request is therefore declined in accordance with section 18(f) of the OIA as this would constitute a substantial collation effort.

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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