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Dear [REDACTED]

I refer to your email of 4 July 2024 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), information about the disposal of the Royal New Zealand Airforce's C-130 Hercules aircraft.

The disposal contract for the Hercules aircraft is currently under consideration and yet to be awarded. We are therefore unable to provide a response to your request.

In view of the long service and immense contribution to New Zealand by the C-130H Hercules aircraft, one aircraft will be retained by the Royal New Zealand Air Force Museum Trust, to be placed on permanent public display at the Air Force Museum at Wigram.

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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