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Dear Valerie Morse

I refer to your email of 2 April 2025 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), confirmation about the end of the New Zealand Defence Force deployment to participate in the international operation to protect Red Sea shipping.

The New Zealand Government mandate to participate in the operation ended on 31 January 2025.

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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