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Dear [redacted]

I refer to your email of 25 July 2025 to the Ministry of Defence requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), *a list of all meetings held since 1 January 2025 with representatives of Australia, United Kingdom, United States, or Canada, on intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance and autonomous weapons systems under the following arrangements:*

- Five Eyes Air Force Interoperability Council (AFIC)
- AUSCANNZUKUS Naval C4
- Combined Communications-Electronics Board (CCEB)
- ABCANZ Armies

On 29 July 2025, your request was transferred to the New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF) in accordance with section 14(b)(i) of the OIA.

The NZDF has not held, or participated in, meetings concerning *intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance and autonomous weapons systems* under the arrangements specified in your request. Accordingly, your request is declined pursuant to section 18(e) of the OIA as the information does not exist.

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](http://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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