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Dear Lucas Anderson

I refer to your email of 9 August 2025 to the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, part of which requests, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), the below information. This part of your request was transferred to the New Zealand Defence Force in accordance with section 14 of the OIA.

Any correspondence, minutes, or briefing notes exchanged between GCSB, DPMC, NZDF, or Police and the US National Security Agency (NSA) or its Five Eyes partners that mention:

Community-based surveillance programs aimed at civilians not subject to a criminal warrant, OR Equipment or techniques classified under NATO classification CONFIDENTIAL/REL FVEY for harassment or behavioural influence (e.g., DEW, V2K, EMF sub-threshold stimulation, directed acoustic devices).

Date range: 01 January 2020 to present.

Despite reasonable efforts, no relevant New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF) information has been found. Your request as it relates to information held by the NZDF is therefore declined in accordance with section 18(e) of the OIA.

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.

Yours sincerely

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