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Dear [REDACTED]

I refer to your email of 1 December 2025 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

*Any information about how NZ Defence Force have made the workforce savings that they committed to government as part of NZDF's Workforce Savings Programme, including any information about:*

- *The amount of money saved and where those savings have come from*
- *Any efficiencies that have been made in NZDF's organisational structures.*

On 27 January 2026, a request for refinement was refused. Information about how the New Zealand Defence Force *made the workforce savings* was provided in the response of 19 December 2025 from the Principal Advisor Workplace Relations, Lyndah Pascoe.

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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