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Dear [REDACTED]

I refer to your email of 24 August 2026 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

1. *To the extent this information is held centrally, please provide the number of individuals currently:*
 - *supplied through a supplier, managed service, or service agreement*
 - *working in a role equivalent or similar to a full-time agency position*
 - *provided with access to agency systems, email accounts, buildings, equipment, or other internal resources*
 - *not classified or reported as contractors or consultants.*
2. *For the individuals captured by point 1, please provide for each individual:*
 - *the total annual or contracted cost*
 - *the length of the engagement*
 - *whether the individual works full-time or part-time for the agency.*
3. *Please identify any changes to the collection or availability of this information resulting from the implementation of new financial, procurement, HR, or reporting systems, including:*
 - *the date of any system change*
 - *what information ceased to be collected or became unavailable*
 - *whether historical information remains accessible*
 - *any known breaks in the data series.*
4. *Please provide any recent advice, correspondence, or guidance concerning individuals working within your agency who are not included in reported contractor and consultant spend because they are engaged through supplier, managed service, or service agreements.*

I apologise for the delay in providing this response, additional time was required to determine what, if any, requested information is held by the New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF). The NZDF does not centrally collect the information you have requested.

Your request is therefore refused under section 18(e) of the OIA, as the requested information does not exist, and despite reasonable efforts could not be found.

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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