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Dear [redacted]

I refer to your email of 2 October 2026 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

1. *Whether the personnel participating from 2nd Engineer Regiment consisted exclusively of commissioned officers, or whether the contingent also included non-commissioned personnel.*
2. *If non-commissioned personnel participated, the number of personnel by rank category (for example, WO1, WO2, SSGT, SGT, CPL, LCPL or PTE).*
3. *The total number of personnel from 2nd Engineer Regiment who participated in Exercise Suman Warrior.*

A single Warrant Officer Class 2 from 2nd Engineer Regiment participated in Exercise Suman Warrior.

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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