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4th November 2026

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Dear [redacted]

I refer to your email of 6 October 2026 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), copies of the following:

1. *Briefing to the Incoming Minister – Minister for Veterans, dated 17 August 2026*

Briefings to the Minister for Veterans are regularly published on the Veterans' Affairs website, at: https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/about-veterans-affairs/our-documents-and-publications/corporate-documents/. The briefing in question is currently under review for publication. This part of your request is therefore refused under section 18(d) of OIA, as the information will soon be publicly available.

1. *Non-Departmental Performance Statement for the year ended 30 June 2026.*

A copy of the requested statement is enclosed.

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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Enclosure:
1. Vote Defence Force Report on selected non-departmental appropriations for the year ended 30 June 2026

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Report on selected non-departmental appropriations for the year ended

30 June 2026

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MINISTER'S FOREWORD

As Minister for Veterans, I purchase medical, advisory, and support services from a number of organisations to deliver outputs that support and enhance the wellbeing of veterans and their families. A significant number of those service providers do not report to Parliament directly.

In accordance with section 19 of the Public Finance Act 1989, the purpose of this report is to articulate the service performance of those outputs delivered by third-party service providers funded directly by Veterans' Affairs and not covered by other reporting to Parliament.

HON PAUL GOLDSMITH

Minister for Veterans

Date:

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STATEMENT OF PERFORMANCE

This report is prepared under section 19 of the Public Finance Act 1989 and covers the Vote Defence Force appropriations used for purchasing outputs supplied by third-party service providers that do not report to Parliament directly on that expenditure.

This report excludes Vote Defence Force appropriations which have exemptions from performance reporting under section 15D (2) of the Public Finance Act 1989.

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NON-DEPARTMENTAL OUTPUT EXPENSES

DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF SERVICES CEMETERIES

This appropriation is limited to the development and maintenance of Services Cemeteries.

2025		2026		
Actual ($000)		Actual ($000)	Supplementary Estimates ($000)	Main Estimates ($000)
745	Appropriation	742	746	746

What is intended to be achieved with this appropriation

This appropriation is intended to develop and maintain Services Cemeteries.

Performance Summary Output

2025	Measures	2026	
Actual		Standard	Actual
100%	The annual maintenance and development works plan outcomes are achieved.	95%	100%
	Services cemeteries will be maintained in accordance with the Standard of Care agreement		
100%	Services cemeteries have a Standard of Care agreement in place	95%	100%
100%	Planned monitoring visits are completed	100%	100%