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Dear Ms Morse

I refer to your request of 10 May 2020, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), for the following:

- 1. Please provide any advice, risk assessments, planning or information held by NZDF about the implications of Covid-19 in relation to RIMPAC 2020 or any offshore/overseas training exercises.*
- 2. Please provide any advice, assessments or information held by NZDF about the implications on NZ's relationship with China of participation in RIMPAC 2020.*

Pursuant to section 15A(1)(b) of the OIA I am advising that a 5 working day extension has been given to your request as the consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to ask an Ombudsman to review my decision to extend your request.

Yours faithfully

CJA HOEY
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