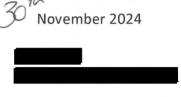


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Dear

I refer to your email of 14 November 2024 to the Ministry of Defence requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), *operational records during the Borneo operations from January 1966 to August 1966 specifically those at Sepulot/Sapulot, Balai Ringin, and Sebatik Island* for 1 Ranger Squadron, New Zealand Special Air Service.

Your request was transferred to the New Zealand Defence force (NZDF) for response. NZDF files related to New Zealand's military deployment to Borneo have been declassified and are held by Archives New Zealand. Your request is therefore declined in accordance with section 18(d) of the OIA because the information is publically available. The following files are held by Archives New Zealand.

File Number	Description
Def 3/5/17	Commonwealth Defence – Malaysia/Singapore – Threat to Borneo
	from Indonesia
Def 3/5/18	Commonwealth Defence – Malaysia/Singapore- Insurgency- Borneo
AGS 3333/2	Plans, Operations and Readiness – Operational Evaluation –
	Operational Reports 1 Detachment and 2 Detachment, 1 NZ Ranger
	Squadron Far East (SAS Patrol Reports) (Was classified NFM Army 734)
Army 15/15, Pt	Patrol Reports – 1 Detachment New Zealand Rangers Squadron 1965-
2, Series 7291,	1966
Box 38	
Army 34/9/4/2,	Special Air Service Patrol Reports – 1 Detachment Patrols April to
Pt 1, Series	December 1965 – 1965
7291, Box 66	
Army 152/2/3,	Borneo – Defence – Threat from Indonesia
Pt 5, Series	
19754, Box 119	

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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