

Declaration of Operational Service for the Purposes of the Veterans' Support Act 2014

In accordance with section 9 of the Veterans' Support Act 2014 ("Act"), I hereby give the following notice.

Notice

1. I declare service:
 - within the territorial limits of the Republic of Mali and the air space above it on or after 1 March 2018 to be operational service for the purposes of the Act, until declared otherwise.
2. This declaration covers:
 - members of the New Zealand Defence Force ("NZDF") serving with the NZDF;
 - members of the NZDF on secondment with the armed forces of other nations; and
 - any person seconded to the NZDF with the permission of the Chief of the Defence Force.
3. The persons covered by this declaration shall have access to the entitlements and services specified in the Act and the Veterans' Support Regulations 2014.
4. I am satisfied that there is a significant risk of harm to those that undertake this service, as required by the Act.

Dated this 15th day of March 2018.

HON RON MARK, Minister for Veterans.