

## **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:

- as part of Operation Teal in the Republic of Iraq, the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, the United Arab Emirates and while transiting between them (including the air space above them) between 1 August 2004 and 28 February 2005 (inclusive) to be operational service for the purposes of the Act; and
- while being transported as part of Operation Teal in the Republic of Iraq, the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, the United Arab Emirates and while transiting between them (including the air space above them) between 1 August 2004 and 28 February 2005 (inclusive) to be operational service for the purposes of the Act.

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 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 was a significant risk of harm to those that undertook this service, as required by the Act.

Dated this 14th day of January 2016.

Hon CRAIG FOSS, Minister of Veterans' Affairs.

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