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Dear Trevor Bodnar

I refer to your email of 12 March 2025 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), cover pages for the Royal New Zealand Air Force (RNZAF) flight manuals for the P-3K2 Orion and C-130H Hercules aircraft.

The aircraft types that you have requested the flight manuals for are United States military aircraft, and information about them is controlled by the International Traffic in Arms Regulations. The manufacturer of each aircraft type provides operating manuals to the RNZAF, which are then authorised for use by a senior RNZAF officer. Enclosed are the front pages of the flight manuals for the P-3K2 and C-130H as authorised by the RNZAF.

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Yours sincerely

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**Enclosures:**

1. Cover pages of RNZAF P-3K2 flight manual
2. Cover pages of RNZAF C-130H flight manual

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**ORION AIRCRAFT  
P-3K2**

**FLIGHT MANUAL**

**PRE-FLIGHT AND POST-FLIGHT PROCEDURES**

*Signed Authorisation Page held on file.*

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**ORION AIRCRAFT  
P-3K2  
FLIGHT MANUAL  
MISSION PLANNING PROCEDURES**

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**ORION AIRCRAFT  
P-3K2  
FLIGHT MANUAL  
QUICK REFERENCE HANDBOOK  
NORMAL AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES,  
PILOT/ENGINEER**

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**HERCULES AIRCRAFT  
C-130H(NZ)  
(Lockheed)**

**FLIGHT MANUAL**

**PERFORMANCE DATA**

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**HERCULES AIRCRAFT  
C-130H(NZ)**

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