Minister of Defence

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Question
What were all of the flights, if any, that the King Air aircraft used to transport the Prime Minister from Whanganui to Auckland on 23 July 2026 completed on 24 July 2026 and for each flight what was the departure airport, arrival airport, the take-off and landing times and the purpose of the flight?

Reply
One C-12 aircraft was used to transport the Prime Minister from Whanganui to Whenuapai on 23 July 2026. The aircraft and pilots returned to Base Ohakea on 23 July 2026. No Defence Force aircraft transported the Prime Minister on 24 July 2026. The Prime Minister's Office described the purpose of travel as transferring the Prime Minister from Whanganui to Whenuapai. Further details are provided in the table below:

Doors Close Local Time	Origin	Destination	Doors Open Local Time
23 JUL 2026 1930	OHAKEA	WHANGANUI	23 JUL 2026 2000
23 JUL 2026 2100	WHANGANUI	WHENUAPAI	23 JUL 2026 2205
23 JUL 2026 2245	WHENUAPAI	OHAKEA	23 JUL 2026 2355