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Email: [Redacted]

21st May 2015

Dear [Redacted],

Thank you for your email of 26 April, to the Ministry of Defence (MOD) requesting the following information:

"Can you please tell the the estimated cost to the MOD of screening someone through the Developed Vetting (DV), SC and CTC respectively?"

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD), and I can confirm that all the information in scope of your request is held.

The estimated cost to the Ministry of Defence (MOD) to screen an individual through the National Security Vetting process is held in the following table:

Standalone Costing	Cost per Individual
Developed Vetting (DV)	£884.74
Security Clearance (SC)	£56.02
Counter Terrorist Check (CTC)	£43.66

However, it may be helpful if I explain that Developed Vettings (DV)'s are charged as a through life cost and have an additional £10.31 added to give a overall total of £895.05. The additional £10.31 relates to another check that is carried out called Change in Personal Circumstances (CPC). It is estimated that each DV will need a certain amount of CPC's checks to be undertaken for each DV check.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, 1st Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please

note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

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