

**EXTERNAL CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSED CESSATION OF THE  
'QUARTERLY AFGHANISTAN UK PATIENT TREATMENT STATISTICS: RCDM  
AND DMRC HEADLEY COURT' OFFICIAL STATISTIC**

**Detail of Outcome**

1. Defence Statistics (Health) opened a consultation with internal and external stakeholders on 21 April 2017, regarding the proposed cessation of the "Quarterly Afghanistan UK Patient Treatment Statistics: RCDM and DMRC Headley Court" Official Statistic Bulletin:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/mod-national-and-official-statistics-by-topic>

2. The consultation period ended on 19 May 2017. Defence Statistics received one response, which objected to the proposed cessation.
  
3. Taking into account the following factors, it has been decided that publication will cease as proposed and the planned updates (July 2017, October 2017) and further editions of the report will no longer be produced:
  - a. Internal and external feedback
  
  - b. The small number of new patients receiving treatment as a result of Operations in Afghanistan
  
  - c. The resource burden involved in producing the report.