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Dear [REDACTED]

Your correspondence dated 31 October 2018 has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000. You requested the following information:

In order to complete the dissertation I need the UK military interventions (Global) for the past 20 years and the total expenditure for those specific operations. Annual data is great, so the total number of interventions per year and the total cost for that particular year. However if I can have cost per operation it would be even better.

The Net Additional Costs of UK Military Operations from financial years 1998-99 to 2017-18 can be found at annex A.

These figures are for the Net Additional Cost of UK Military Operations and Peacekeeping Programme Expenditure. The totals include Resource Departmental Expenditure Limits (RDEL), Capital Departmental Expenditure Limits (CDEL) and Annually Managed Expenditure (AME).

Net additional costs are costs, over and above existing funding, that the department would not have otherwise incurred but for undertaking that activity. These are not the same as marginal costs (which reflects the cost of the activity) as the department is already funded to deliver a certain level of operational activity and this funding should be consumed first. Only net additional costs can be charged to the Deployed Military Activity Pool (DMAP) or Special Reserve.

The DMAP exists to provide initial funding for emergent military activity in support of the UK's security, diplomatic and aid priorities as endorsed by the National Security Council (NSC). Activity funded from the DMAP includes the UK contribution to counter illegal trafficking in the Aegean, military planning assistance to allies and International Organisations, support to allies' operations to counter-terrorism in Africa, initiating the UK contribution to NATO's enhanced Forward Presence, and counter-Daesh activity.

The Special Reserve is designed to meet the costs of large scale and/or enduring military operations as directed by the NSC. The Special Reserve is funded by Government borrowing and both the MOD and the Treasury must ensure that charges are minimised and deliver best value for money wherever possible. In line with DMAP, only the true net additional costs can be charged.

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I hope you find this helpful.

Yours sincerely,

Defence Resources Secretariat

Net Additional Costs of UK Military Operations 1998-99 to 2017-18 (£ million)

Financial Year	Gulf (Op GRANBY) (1)	(Gulf) Op WARDEN (2)	Gulf (Op JURAL) (3)	Gulf (Op BOLTON) (4)	Gulf (Op DESERT FOX) (5)	Gulf (6)	Iraq (Op TELIC) (7)	Afghanistan (Op HERRICK) (8)	Kosovo	Bosnia	Balkans (Bosnia/Kosovo) (Op OCULUS) (9)	Sierra Leone	EU - Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Democratic Republic of the Congo	Libya (Op ELLAMY) (10)	Wider Gulf (11)	Mali (Op NEWCOMBE) (12)	Deployed Military Activity Pool (13)	Afghanistan Op TORAL (14)	Counter ISIL in Iraq & Syria Op SHADER (15)	Op LITTEN (16)	TOTAL
1998-99	£ 0.136	£ 3.139	£ 5.017	£ 23.150	£ 3.000				£ 13.900	£ 147.000												£ 195.342
1999-00						£ 28.000			£ 325.200	£ 108.000												£ 461.200
2000-01						£ 25.000			£ 220.000	£ 120.000		£ 16.900										£ 381.900
2001-02						£ 61.000		£ 221.389	£ 141.900	£ 93.000		£ 40.000										£ 557.289
2002-03						£ 45.000	£ 848.222	£ 310.558	£ 105.000	£ 81.000												£ 1,389.780
2003-04							£ 1,310.838	£ 46.388			£ 103.600	£ 1.000	£ 1.000	£ 1.000								£ 1,463.826
2004-05							£ 909.930	£ 67.034			£ 87.000											£ 1,063.964
2005-06							£ 957.598	£ 199.348			£ 63.000											£ 1,219.946
2006-07							£ 956.162	£ 737.745			£ 56.000											£ 1,749.907
2007-08							£ 1,457.483	£ 1,504.103														£ 2,961.586
2008-09							£ 1,381.000	£ 2,623.000														£ 4,004.000
2009-10							£ 343.000	£ 3,821.000														£ 4,164.000
2010-11								£ 3,777.000							£ 21.000	£ 127.000						£ 3,925.000
2011-12								£ 3,458.000							£ 213.000	£ 37.000						£ 3,708.000
2012-13							£ 2,673.230									£ 57.340	£ 17.400					£ 2,747.970
2013-14							£ 1,876.870									£ 39.850					£ 0.317	£ 1,917.037
2014-15							£ 949.354											£ 23.500	£ 14.340	£ 21.900		£ 1,023.929
2015-16							-£ 17.300								-£ 0.500	£ 50.310		£ 47.420	£ 72.150	£ 216.930		£ 369.010
2016-17							-£ 19.150									£ 51.290		£ 48.100	£ 69.860	£ 432.230	£ 3.160	£ 585.490
2017-18							-£ 6.500									£ 55.870	£ 0.600	£ 46.800	£ 79.580	£ 583.100	£ 59.770	£ 819.220
Net Op Cost Totals	£ 0.136	£ 3.139	£ 5.017	£ 23.150	£ 3.000	£ 159.000	£ 8,164.233	£ 22,222.069	£ 806.000	£ 549.000	£ 309.600	£ 57.900	£ 1.000	£ 1.000	£ 233.500	£ 433.495	£ 18.000	£ 165.820	£ 236.247	£ 1,254.160	£ 62.930	£ 34,708.396
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<p>NOTE: THESE COSTS INCLUDE NON CASH COSTS</p> <p>(1) Operation GRANBY - UK military involvement in the Gulf conflict in 1990</p> <p>(2) Operation WARDEN - Establishment of a no-fly zone over northern Iraq in 1991 in support of Security Council Resolution 688 calling on the Iraqi Government because of severe humanitarian need and to prevent the repression of the civilian population (the Kurds) by the Iraqi regime</p> <p>(3) Operation JURAL - Establishment of a no-fly zone over southern Iraq in 1992 in support of Security Council Resolution 688 calling on the Iraqi Government because of severe humanitarian need and to prevent the repression of the civilian population (the Marsh Arabs) by the Iraqi regime</p> <p>(4) Operation BOLTON - Deployment of aircraft carrier and RNR/RAF aircraft to the Gulf in 1997-98</p> <p>(5) Operation DESERT FOX - Joint air strikes with the US over Iraq in December 1998</p> <p>(6) Gulf - this mainly covers the enforcement of the No Fly Zones under Ops WARDEN and JURAL, but no breakdown is available</p> <p>(7) Operation TELIC - UK military operations in Iraq between 2003 and 2011</p> <p>(8) Operation HERRICK - UK military operations in Afghanistan since 2002</p> <p>(9) Operation OCULUS - UK military operations in Bosnia and Kosovo from 2003-04</p> <p>(10) Operation ELLAMY - UK contribution to coalition operations in Libya in support of UN Security Council Resolution 1973</p> <p>(11) Wider Gulf - UK forces are deployed to the Gulf to sustain UK influence in the region, reassure our regional allies and support deployment/redeployment access and over flight for operations in Afghanistan. UK forces also contribute to energy and trade security and support the Government's regional counter terrorism and counter piracy policies. From 2016 costs have been increased to reflect the increased Gulf ambition within the Gulf Strategy, recognising the commitment as a standing task.g commitment.</p> <p>(12) Operation NEWCOMBE - UK logistical support to France and contribution to EU Training Mission</p> <p>(13) Deployed Military Activity Pool - to fund short term operations and NSC/No 10 priorities</p> <p>(14) Op TORAL - Post December 2014 UK contribution to NATO Resolute Support Missions in Afghanistan</p> <p>(15) Op SHADER - Counter ISIL activity in Iraq and Syria. FY14/15 an additional £24m was spent on training, ISR and enablers. FY15/16 an additional £10m was spend on enablers. FY16/17 an additional £37m was spend on Cyprus runways, AAR and discrete activity These costs are captured within the DMAP</p> <p>(16) Other Ops in 16/17 this is Op LITTEN - EU Counter people trafficking; in 17/18 this is eFP/NATO Reassurance and RUMAN (relief for Hurricane Irma)</p> <p>The figures between 1998-99 and 2000-01 have been calculated on a cash basis; the figures from 2001-02 onwards have been calculated on a full cost basis following the introduced of the Resource Accounting & Budgeting regime in that year across government</p>																						