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Dear [REDACTED]

Request for Information

Thank you for your email of 1 March 2017 requesting the following information:

'Could you please provide me with the following information on the selection of Foreman of Signals within the Royal Marines:

Over the period 1 April 2009 - 31 March 2016 how many Royal Marines Information Systems specialists applied for Foreman of Signals selection and training. Of these, how many were successful? Of those successful, how many succeeded at their first attempt or application and how many were successful at a second or subsequent attempt?'

Your enquiry has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

A search has confirmed that some information is held which falls within the scope of your request. Taking your questions in turn the answers are as follows:

Over the period 1 April 2009 - 31 March 2016 how many Royal Marines Information Systems specialists applied for Foreman of Signals selection and training?

A total of 21 personnel went to the selection board during that period; no records have been kept of the remainder of applicants who did not pass the paper sift for interview.

Of these, how many were successful?

12 personnel were selected for training.

Of those successful, how many succeeded at their first attempt or application and how many were successful at a second or subsequent attempt?'

Of the 12 who passed the selection board 8 were successful at their first attempt and 4 at their second.

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Yours sincerely

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