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Dear [Redacted],

Thank you for your email of 26 April 2016 regarding rescues carried out by D Flt, 202 Sqn.

You asked:

Could you please provide the number of rescues carried out by D Flt, 202 Sqn based at RAF Lossiemouth from 1972 until it's disbandment. In particular could you provide details of the first and last rescue carried out.

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). After a search of our records I can confirm that some information is held within the scope of your request.

The MOD only holds records from January 1983 and this is set out in the table below:

	Recorded between 1 Jan 1983 and 31 Mar 2015
First recorded rescue	2 Jan 1983 – Medrescue of 1 person from around Ben Macdui.
Last recorded rescue	31 March 2015 - Requested by Police Scotland (Fort William). The callout was to assist Lochaber Mountain Rescue Team with a search for a missing person. The search centred around the southern face of Ben Nevis; nothing was found.
Callouts	6741
Persons assisted	5905

Prior to 1 January 1983 the information is exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), because it is reasonably accessible to you by other means. It is already in the public domain and can be found at <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/>. The references you require are:

202 Squadron F540

- AIR 27 3358 (Jan 72- Dec 75)
- AIR 27 3359 (Jan 73- Dec 75)
- AIR 27 3466 (Jan 76- Dec 80)
- AIR 27 3598 (Jan 81- Dec 82)

RAF Lossiemouth Station F540

AIR 28 2060 (Oct 72- Dec 73)

AIR 28 2061 (Jan 74- Dec 75)

AIR 28 2299 (Jan 76- Dec 78)

AIR 28 2384- 2387 (Jan 81- Dec 82)

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Yours sincerely



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