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Ref: FOI2016/11523

Reply to: [REDACTED]

7 December 2016

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your correspondence dated 27 November 2016 requesting the following information:

“Please may I request the following information:

- 1. The annual salary of the highest-paid individual presently working in your department (in pounds sterling) as of November 28th 2016;*
- 2. The job title of the highest-paid individual presently working in your department as of November 28th 2016; and*
- 3. The average annual salary of all individuals presently working in your department (in pounds sterling) as of November 28th 2016.”*

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

However I am writing to confirm that your request is exempt under Section 21 of the FOI Act because the information is accessible to you by other means. MOD senior staff salaries (2016) can be found at the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/mod-roles-and-salaries-2016>

This link also provides details of the salary scales of MOD staff by grade which addresses part 3 of your question.

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, Ground Floor, Zone D, 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 FOI 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, <http://www.ico.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

Defence People Secretariat FOI