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Dear

Thank you for your email of 1<sup>st</sup> June 15 requesting the following information:

"Please may I be sent a list of all serious incidents involving ScanEagle, Hermes 450, Watchkeeper and MQ-9 Reapers since 2000? Can the data include the following items:

- 1. Date of incident
- 2. Location of incident
- 3. Cause of incident
- 4. Aircraft type
- 5. Tail number/serial number of aircraft
- 6. Status of the aircraft after incident (for example write off, withdrawn from service, repaired and returned to service, etc)

Please include incidents of aircraft operated under lease or other arrangements (i.e. not just aircraft owned by the UK forces)."

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested can be found attached. This has been taken from the Air Safety Information Management System (ASIMS), the tool used by Ministry of Defence for the reporting, management and analysis of air safety occurrences, investigations and recommendations.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that we have interpreted 'serious incidents' to mean all those incidents categorised as 'accidents' on ASIMS as the nearest comparable occurrence type to serious incident. You may wish to know that ASIMS does not record information relating to tail / serial numbers of aircraft involved in an accident or the status of aircraft after the incident or accident.

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, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 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 Freedom of Information 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,