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Your Reference: email dated [REDACTED]

Date: 17th December 2014

Dear [REDACTED]

RE: FOI 2014/ [REDACTED]

Your correspondence dated 24th November 2014 has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000. You requested the following information:

“Breakdown of figures who are considered to be Engineers and Technicians”

Please find the information that is held by the Defence Statistics in the attached Excel file.

I hope you find this helpful.

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 Head of Corporate Information, 2nd 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.

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Yours sincerely,

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UK Regular Forces Engineering Strength as at 01 October 2014

		RN/RM	Army	RAF
Total Engineers		10,970	22,100	13,020
Engineer Technicians		8,760	19,400	11,820
	<i>of which :</i>			
	Trained	8,040	19,400	11,270
	Untrained	720	-	550
Other Engineers (non-technicians)		2,210	2,700	1,200
	<i>of which :</i>			
	Trained	1,990	2,700	1,150
	Untrained	220	-	50

Source : Defence Statistics

Notes :

1. UK Regular Forces includes all trained and untrained personnel. Gurkhas, Full Time Reserve personnel, and mobilised reservists are excluded.
2. RAF Engineer Technicians include Aircraft Engineering Technicians, Information Communication Technicians and General Engineering Technicians.

3. Army Engineers have been identified in consultation with subject matter experts from the Army, using information as recorded on JPA to identify those Army personnel considered Engineers. The Army figure above excludes a number of Officers in the Royal Logistic Corp and the Royal Signals who may be considered Engineers but are not identifiable within the data that Defence Statistics hold. Defence Statistics (Army) cannot identify untrained Engineers from the data. Engineering Technicians have been identified as those from the cohort of all identified Engineers who have a Main Trade for Pay as recorded on JPA that includes the word 'technician'.

4. Figures are rounded to the nearest 10, numbers ending in 5 have been rounded to the nearest 20 to prevent systematic bias. "-" denotes unavailable.