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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email to the Ministry of Defence (MOD) dated 27 March 2016 in which you requested the following information:

“we would like a list of serving star rank officers, from all arms, that are motorcycle enthusiasts, hold a current motorcycle licence, and own a motorcycle, and that would be willing to become our serving patron.

I don't know if it would be possible, but direct email address's of any likely officers would be very helpful.”

I have considered your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. However I must advise you that the FOI Act does not require agencies to create new information or records, or to conduct research, in order to answer a request. Therefore as a list of personnel such as you have outlined above does not exist, we cannot provide you with it.

However, I have approached the Command Headquarters of each Service on your behalf to highlight your request for a Patron, unfortunately with no success. As no volunteer to take over from your current Patron has been found, hopefully you will find such a volunteer by approaching one of the Armed Forces motorsports groups whose websites are below:

<https://pdevportal.co.uk/sports/motorsport>

<http://www.armymotorsports.co.uk/Disciplines/Trials>

<http://www.armymotorsports.co.uk/Contact>

<http://www.raf.mod.uk/rafmotorsports/>

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Yours sincerely,

Defence People Secretariat