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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email dated 12th August 2014, requesting the following information:

1. Please provide the date and location of the department's last 'sports day'?
2. Please provide a list of Executive Agencies, and Other departments, if any, that were invited to attend?
3. Please provide the cost of any refreshments provided?
4. Please provide the cost of hiring any facilities?
5. Please provide the total spend on the 'sports day'?
6. Please provide the number of staff that attended? (Or an estimate if an exact figure is not available)
7. Please provide a list of Ministers present, if any?
8. Please provide the number of senior civil servants that attended? (Or an estimate if an exact figure is not available)
9. Please provide the number of non-staff attending the event? (Or an estimate if an exact figure is not available)."

This has been considered as a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI Act).

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

The information you have requested can be found below. Please note no public money was spent on the department's sports day event :

1. Please provide the date and location of the department's last 'sports day'?

The Ministry of Defence Sports Day was held on June 27th 2014 in Bath

2. Please provide a list of Executive Agencies, and Other departments, if any, that were invited to attend?

All MOD staff, including those at executive agencies (DSTL, UKHO, DSG, Service Children's Education) and other MOD groups such as Military Aviation Authority and Defence Academy were able to attend.

3. Please provide the cost of any refreshments provided?

The Defence Sports & Recreational Association spent approximately £9,000 on refreshments (No public money was spent)

4. Please provide the cost of hiring any facilities?

The Defence Sports & Recreational Association spent approximately £5,000 on hiring facilities (No public money was spent)

5. Please provide the total spend on the 'sports day'?

The Defence Sports & Recreational Association total spend was approximately £75,000 (No public money was spent)

6. Please provide the number of staff that attended? (Or an estimate if an exact figure is not available)

It is estimated that approximately 1600 staff attended

7. Please provide a list of Ministers present, if any?

No Ministers were present

8. Please provide the number of senior civil servants that attended? (Or an estimate if an exact figure is not available)

Approximately 10 SCS attended the event

9. Please provide the number of non-staff attending the event? (Or an estimate if an exact figure is not available)

There is no information held on the number of non-staff that may have attended

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Yours sincerely,

Defence Personnel Secretariat