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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 20 September 2017 requesting the following information:

"On 3rd March, 2004, two Martello Towers (nos 6 & 7) at Shornecliffe: Folkestone, Kent were sold by the Secretary of State for Defence to G. Forge Limited for £28,000. The contract provides for a 50% clawback in the event that the property is sold (2.1).

On 28th October, 2005, the freehold property adjoining Martello Towers 6 & 7 at Shornecliffe: Folkestone, Kent was sold by the Secretary of State for Defence to G. Forge Limited for £31,800. The contract provides for a 50% clawback in the event that the property is sold (2.1). As you can see, these properties are now on the open market for an asking price of £750,000. Can you please confirm that the 50% clawbacks will be applied as per the contracts and as previously advised?"

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 (MOD) and I can confirm that no information in scope of your request is held.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that the information will become available upon completion of the sale of the property.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk).

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Yours sincerely,

DIO Secretariat