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Your Reference:

Our Reference:  
FOI FOI 2014/01947  
Date:  
23 June 2014

Dear [REDACTED]

Further to our email dated 4 June 2014, I am writing to provide you with a substantive response to your FOI request dated 22 May, in which you requested the following:

*'I wonder whether I can ask for your help, in obtaining clearer reproductions of two of the pages of an AWRE pdf document that you kindly sent me on 14/2/2013? The document in question was the illustrated brochure: Digital Computing Facilities, dated December 1966. On the front cover of this document is a label with (I guess) your internal catalogue number: AW2015/43 02419. The images in the pdf document are rather indistinct.*

*I would be most grateful for a better-quality scan (preferably in jpg format or equivalent) of the two photographs on page 3 and the diagrammatic layout on page 10. If there is any reproduction charge involved then I would be happy to pay.*

*The reason for requesting the photos is in connection with a computer history article that I'm writing. The result will join similar research articles on the Ferranti Atlas computer on this website: [REDACTED]*

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

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

The information you have requested can be found enclosed, however some of it falls entirely within the scope of the absolute exemption provided for at section 40 (Personal Information) of the FOI Act and has been redacted. Section 40 is an absolute exemption and, as such, there is no requirement to consider the public interest in making a decision to withhold this information.

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Yours sincerely,

**DE&S Policy Secretariat**