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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 18 August, which has been considered to be a request for information under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000; I have been asked to reply on behalf of the Ministry of Defence (MOD).

In your email you requested the following information:

“I would like to know details of any accidents which resulted to injury of staff and military personnel based at RAF Boulmer from January 2013 to date.

I would like the information broken down on a monthly basis, incident by incident. I would like a brief summary of the incident, of the injury and any follow up action as a result of the incident.”

I can confirm that the MOD holds the information you have requested. Please find attached the details of accidents/incidents recorded by RAF Boulmer.

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 this office 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 Information Rights Compliance team, 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details

of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the  
Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely,



Air Command Secretariat

Attachment:

Accidents/incidents recorded at RAF Boulmer – 1 January 2013 – 21 August 2014

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Date	Incident	Injury	Follow up action
<b>Military personnel</b>			
02/01/13	Fell while taking down Christmas decorations.	Minor fracture.	Treated at local Accident & Emergency unit.
06/02/13	Splashed by hot fat.	Burn to face.	Local first aid given and then treated at the unit medical centre.
20/02/13	Injured during RAF fitness test.	Ankle sprain.	Treated at unit medical centre.
26/02/13	Caught finger on edge of desk.	Cut finger.	A plaster was applied and the sharp edge smoothed.
14/03/13	Injured playing basket ball.	Head injury.	Checked by doctor.
14/04/13	Injured playing basket ball.	Dislocated finger.	Treated at unit medical centre.
20/05/13	Electric shock.	Shock.	Checked by medics and declared as fit. Equipment removed from service.
03/06/13	Trip.	Fractured leg.	Treated at local Accident & Emergency department.
08/07/13	Fall of blinds.	Trivial cuts.	Given local first aid. Blinds checked and secured.
16/07/13	Slip on condensation.	Strain back/leg.	Treated at on-site medical unit.
25/07/13	Trip.	Fractured wrist.	Treated at local Accident & Emergency unit. Investigated and lighting and procedures improved in the area.
01/08/13	Trapped finger.	Blood blister.	Given local first aid.
03/09/13	Injured during drill practice.	Minor cut.	Given local first aid. Source of cut not identified.
31/10/13	Trapped thumb in security gate.	Cut, bruising.	Given local first aid.
04/11/13	Collapsed and hit head.	Not known.	Taken to local Accident & Emergency unit but discharged as fit. No cause of the collapse was reported.
14/11/13	Hit finger while playing volley ball.	Swelling.	Treated at on site medical centre.
15/01/14	Fell while walking uphill during skiing expedition.	Ruptured calf muscle.	Given local medical treatment and on return to UK was checked by a doctor.

05/02/14	Football injury at Derby.	Fractured finger.	Given local Accident & Emergency treatment and on return to unit was treated by his doctor.
07/04/14	Fell on running machine.	Wrenched knee.	Treated locally.
22/07/14	Moving display cabinet.	Strain.	Given first aid and taken to the local minor injuries unit.
<b>Civilian personnel</b>			
19/07/13	Cut finger moving hanging file.	Cut finger.	Treated locally. The sharp file holder was removed.
20/08/13	Slip in toilets.	Elbow fracture.	Treated at local minor injuries unit. Investigated and as a result layout of toilets improved.
05/09/13	Slip in kitchen.	Shock.	Given local first aid and sent home to rest. Contractor's procedures improved.
07/10/13	Hot water from cold water tap.	Minor burn.	Given local first aid. Problem traced to a faulty valve.
19/12/13	Slight electrical shock.	Shock.	The individual had no injuries and the equipment was given a full electrical check. Suspect that the shock was due to a build up of electrostatic charge
28/03/14	Chair collapsed.	Severe pain.	Injured by faulty chair. Chair was returned to Supply.
20/06/14	Cut hand on sharp metal.	Cut.	Treated locally and the sharp metal was smoothed.
<b>Other (Contractors, Cadets)</b>			
07/04/14	Impacted injury to arm.	Minor strain.	Treated locally.
12/04/14	Collapse.	Unconscious.	Seen by local Accident & Emergency unit but was discharged fit.
22/04/14	Hit by cupboard metal door.	Bruising.	Treated locally. Cleaning cabinet to be replaced.
19/05/14	Cut elbow.	Slight cut.	Injured while accessing cable ducts. Given local first aid.