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Further to my letter of 26 November informing you that a Public Interest Test was required, I am writing to inform you that it has now been completed in respect of your request for the following information:

I write to request the following from you pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act:

1. Please disclose the learning account and/or board of inquiry following the road traffic accident on 9 March 2014 which resulted in fatal injuries to Corporal Jayaram Puri and serious injuries to [REDACTED].
2. Please disclose any internal investigation documents in relation to the above referred to road traffic accident.

A Service Inquiry has not been undertaken and the Civil Police had jurisdiction for investigating the RTA. We do, however, have a Non-Operational After Action Review. A copy of the information which can be released is enclosed.

Some information held by the Department falling within scope of your request is exempt from release under sections 26 (Defence) and S40(2) (Personal Information) of the Freedom of Information Act and is therefore withheld. Section 26 is a qualified exemption and having conducted the public interest test, the balance of interest has determined that this information is exempt from release. Section 40 (2) is an absolute exemption and there is therefore no requirement to consider the public interest in making a decision to withhold the information. Section 38 (Health and Safety) was also considered but as there has been an Inquest, the public interest test determined that the information was not exempt from release.

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 me 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 Deputy Chief Information Officer, 2nd Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail [CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk](mailto: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,

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