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Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your email of 27 August to the Army's Recruiting Group in which you request the following:

1. What number of successful enlistments into the RE and WG were enlisted in one year and began training in the next for the training years 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13?

1. For Regular personnel enlistment is synonymous with the start of Phase One training and is shown in the following table:

Table with 3 columns: Enlisted, Royal Engineers, Welsh Guards. Rows for years 2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13.

2. What were the numbers of applicants that were deferred at some stage in the recruiting process that subsequently enlisted into the RE and the WG in the years 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013?

The information held is by Training Year (April to March) and relates to Regular soldiers only. It includes all candidates who expressed a preference for Royal Engineers or Welsh Guards irrespective of this being a first, second or third choice.

Table with 3 columns: Deferrals, Royal Engineers, Welsh Guards. Rows for years 2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13.

Figures have been rounded to 10. Figures ending in 5 have been rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to prevent systematic bias.

3. What were the numbers of RE and WG soldiers who were promoted to LCpl and commenced JNCO CLM Programme in the years 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013?

4. What numbers of RE and WG soldiers who failed one or more modules of the JNCO CLM Programme in the years 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013?

This information is not held. The number of Regular promotions from Private to Lance Corporal for the Welsh Guards and Royal Engineers is held, for the calendar years specified and is shown in the following:

Private to Lance Corporal	Calendar Year			
	2010	2011	2012	2013
Royal Engineers	320	380	350	310
Welsh Guards	20	30	10	30

Figures have been rounded to 10 to limit disclosure and ensure confidentiality. Numbers ending in 5 have been rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to prevent systematic bias.

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). 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.

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Yours sincerely,

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