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Your Reference: email dated [REDACTED]

Date: 3 June 2014

Dear [REDACTED]

RE: FOI [REDACTED]

Your correspondence dated [REDACTED] has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000. You requested the following information:

- “
1. *How many armed forces medical staff have been made redundant since May 2010?*
 2. *Please give a breakdown of each rank and specific medical role*
 3. *Please provide a geographic / regimental breakdown if possible*
 4. *How many medical staff currently serve in HM Forces?*
 5. *Please provide a breakdown of rank and specific role*
 6. *Please provide a geographic / regimental breakdown for the above*
- ”

Please find enclosed the information you requested.

Notes and definitions:

UK Regular Forces data are sourced from the Joint Personnel Administration (JPA) system. As this response includes location data, please note that this is based on the **stationed location** of the individual as recorded in the 'Assignment Location' field of the JPA system.

The figures are based on Service personnel's **stationed location** and **not their location of residence** - where personnel work isn't necessarily where they live. Personnel deployed on operations to an area away from their stationed location are shown against their most recent stationed location.

Any Naval Service personnel on sea service are included against the local authority containing the homeport of their ship and any Royal Air Force Other Ranks serving in the South Atlantic are shown against the location containing their home base.

Rounding

Where rounding has been used, totals and sub-totals have been rounded separately and so may not equal the sums of their rounded parts. When rounding to the nearest 10, numbers ending in "5" have been rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to prevent systematic bias.

- zero or rounded to zero
- ~ five or less



Redundancy

Please note that **neither the post nor the location** in which individuals are serving are taken into account by Armed Forces redundancy selection boards. The selection of an individual for redundancy cannot be assumed to imply that the post they occupy on the date of notification is no longer required. In addition, Service personnel move between posts and locations regularly, and the location at which they will be serving on their exit date may be different from that at which they were notified. For these reasons, neither the geographical distribution nor the units within which individuals were serving when notified for redundancy are a valid basis for assumptions about the longer term disposition of future military posts.

Table 1: Trained¹ UK Regular² Defence Medical Personnel³ redundancy outflow⁴ since 1 May 2010

Medical Personnel	80
Naval Service	30
Army	50
RAF	~

Source Defence Statistics (Tri Service)

1. Trained personnel includes all military personnel who have completed 'Phase 2' training.
2. UK Regulars are full time Service personnel, but exclude FTRS personnel, Gurkhas and mobilised Reservists.
3. Medical personnel have been identified from Defence Statistics data using information on their Regiment/Corps.
4. Redundancy outflow figures from UK Regular Forces include personnel leaving the Services with a recorded exit reason of redundancy.

Table 2a: Trained¹ UK Regular² Defence Medical Personnel³ redundancy outflow⁴ since 1 May 2010, by rank

Medical Personnel	80
Officers	20
OF-6+	~
OF-5	~
OF-4	10
OF-3	~
OF-2	-
OF-1	-
Other Ranks	60
OR-9	~
OR-8	-
OR-7	10
OR-6	10
OR-4	20
OR-3	~
OR-2	10

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Table 2b: Trained¹ UK Regular² Defence Medical Personnel³ redundancy outflow⁴ since 1 May 2010, by role

Medical Personnel	80
Officers	20
Dental	10
Medical	10
Nursing	-
Veterinary	~
Other Ranks	60
Dental	30
Medical	30
Nursing	~
Veterinary	-

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Table 3: Trained¹ UK Regular² Defence Medical Personnel³ redundancy outflow⁴ since 1 May 2010, by stationed location⁵ on exit

Medical Personnel	80
UK	80
England	70
Northern Ireland	-
Scotland	~
Wales	-
Overseas	~
Europe (excluding UK)	~
Asia (excluding Middle East)	-
North Africa / Middle East	-
Sub Saharan Africa	-
North America	~
Central America / Caribbean	-
South America	-
South Atlantic (including Falkland Islands)	-
Oceania	-
Unallocated	~

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4. Redundancy outflow figures from UK Regular Forces include personnel leaving the Services with a recorded exit reason of redundancy.
5. Figures for location are based on service personnel stationed location and **not** their location of residence.



Table 4: Strength of the Trained¹ UK Regular² Defence Medical Personnel³ as at 1 April 2014

Medical Personnel	7 820
Naval Service	1 360
Army	4 820
RAF	1 650

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3. Medical personnel have been identified from Defence Statistics data using information on their Regiment/Corps.

Table 5a: Strength of the Trained¹ UK Regular² Defence Medical Personnel³ as at 1 April 2014, by rank

Medical Personnel	7 820
Officers	2 440
OF-6+	20
OF-5	150
OF-4	480
OF-3	1 000
OF-2	740
OF-1	50
Other Ranks	5 380
OR-9	130
OR-8	150
OR-7	470
OR-6	940
OR-4	1 440
OR-3	690
OR-2	1 560

Source Defence Statistics (Tri Service)

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3. Medical personnel have been identified from Defence Statistics data using information on their Regiment/Corps.



Table 5b: Strength of the Trained¹ UK Regular² Defence Medical Personnel³ as at 1 April 2014, by role

Medical Personnel	7 820
Officers	2 440
Dental	230
Medical	1 700
Nursing	470
Veterinary	40
Other Ranks	5 380
Dental	420
Medical	3 480
Nursing	1 120
Veterinary	370

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3. Medical personnel have been identified from Defence Statistics data using information on their Regiment/Corps.

Table 6: Strength of the Trained¹ UK Regular² Defence Medical Personnel³ as at 1 April 2014, by stationed location⁴

Medical Personnel	7 820
UK	6 740
England	6 340
Northern Ireland	70
Scotland	260
Wales	80
Overseas	1 000
Europe (excluding UK)	940
Asia (excluding Middle East)	20
North Africa / Middle East	~
Sub Saharan Africa	10
North America	10
Central America / Caribbean	-
South America	-
South Atlantic (including Falkland Islands)	~
Oceania	-
Unallocated	90

Source Defence Statistics (Tri Service)

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4. Figures for location are based on service personnel stationed location and **not** their location of residence.



I hope you find this helpful.

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 Head of Corporate Information, 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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