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Dear [REDACTED],

Your correspondence dated 31 October 2014 has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000. You requested the following information:

Please could you advise me of the cost to the taxpayer of the programme to train Libyan troops at bassingbourne barracks?

Please find below the information you requested.

The Ministry of Defence (MOD) incurred additional costs of £17.2M in conducting the recent training programme for Libyan Armed Forces personnel in the UK.

This programme is now completed and the Libyan Government have agreed to reimburse the MOD for these costs. They have already paid £2.5M, and the MOD will continue to negotiate with them over paying the balance.

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 Information Rights Compliance team, 1st 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>.

I hope you find this helpful.

Yours sincerely,

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