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Dear [REDACTED]

Request for Information – Final Response

Thank you for your inquiry dated 7 August requesting the following information:

“Could I have the budget of the royal marines please”

Your inquiry is being considered as a Freedom of Information request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD) and I can confirm that the specific information you have requested is not held. The RN and RM together form the ‘Naval Service’ and funding to pay for the Royal Marines is included within the overall Navy Command Top Level Budget (TLB) covering both the RN and RM. Costs for the Royal Marines are met from the budgets that span a number of geographic and functional areas within the TLB, and the accounting system structure means that we are unable to collate all of the budget or costs that would relate to the Royal Marines as a separate element within the Naval Service.

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>.

Yours sincerely

Navy Command Secretariat – FOI Section