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Reply to: [redacted] 15 September 2016

Dear [redacted],

Thank you for your email to the Ministry of Defence (MOD) dated 11 September 2016 in which you requested the following information:

> *" Could you advise if the Ministry of Defence pays all their permanent employees, working in London, the London Living Wage please."*

This has been considered as a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). I am writing to advise you that following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you requested is held by the Ministry of Defence (MOD). However, under Section 21 of FOIA the MOD is not obliged to supply information that is reasonably accessible by the applicant, by other means.

On 5 September 2016 Mark Lancaster TD VR MP, Minister for Defence Veterans, Reserves and Personnel, provided information relevant to this request, and this is available at the following link:
http://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions-answers-statements/written-questions-answers/?page=1&max=20&questiontype=AllQuestions&house=commons%2clords&use-dates=True&answered-from=2016-07-19&answered-to=2016-09-09&member=478&dept=11

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, 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.

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.org.uk.

Yours sincerely,

(Original Signed)
Defence People Secretariat