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Dear [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] emailed the Ministry of Defence (MOD) on 4 February seeking information on post service business appointments. The correspondence was treated as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). I apologise for the delay in replying.

[REDACTED] requested the following information:

"In response to a written question published on 27 January 2016, Mark Lancaster stated: 'The Ministry of Defence (MOD) holds records of former employees of the MOD who have applied to serve in foreign militaries under the Business Appointments process.'

- 1. Please state the total number of former employees of the MOD who have applied to serve in foreign militaries under the Business Appointments process in each of the following calendar years: a) 2010, b) 2011, c) 2012, d) 2013, e) 2014, f) 2015 and g) 2016 so far.*
- 2. Please break down each yearly total by the foreign militaries applicants proposed to serve in."*

A search for the information has now been completed within the MOD, and I can confirm that the information in scope of the request is held. The information requested for the Armed Forces and Civil Servants can be found in the Table below.

Financial Year	Number	Organisation
2010/11	1	United Arab Emirates Armed Forces
2011/12	0	
2012/13	1	United States Air Force
2013/14	1	Saudi Arabian Ministry of Defence
2014/15	0	
2015/16	0	

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance), you may find it helpful to note that summary information on SCS1/1 star and SCS2/2 Stars is published by the Department on the MOD website, at the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/mod-business-appointment-rules-may-to-december-2015>

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.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

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