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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 19 March, which has been considered to be a request for information under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000; I have been asked to reply on behalf of the Ministry of Defence (MOD).

In your email you requested the following:

“details of Royal Air Force personnel who have been promoted whilst undertaking a posting as part of MODSAP, Saudi Arabia in the past 10 years.”

A search for the information has now been completed within the MOD, and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held.

The number of Royal Air Force personnel promoted by year is as follows:

Rank promoted to (from)	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Air Marshal (Air Vice-Marshal)	-	-	-	~	-	-	-	-	-	~	-
Air Vice-Marshal (Air Commodore)	-	-	-	-	-	~	-	-	-	-	-
Air Commodore (Group Captain)	~	~	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Group Captain (Wing Commander)	~	~	-	~	~	-	-	-	~	-	-
Wing Commander (Squadron Leader)	~	~	~	-	~	-	-	~	-	-	-
Squadron Leader (Flight Lieutenant)	-	~	-	~	~	-	-	-	~	-	-
Warrant Officer (Flight Sergeant)	-	~	-	-	-	-	-	-	~	-	-
Corporal (Senior Aircraftman)	~	-	~	~	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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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 this office 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.

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Yours sincerely,

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