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Our Ref: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
14 March 2016

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 16 February 2016 requesting the following information:

*The number of RAF pilots who have deployed on operations while embedded with other nations.*

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

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

You have not specified a timeframe for your request. However, as this request follows on from previous FOI request [REDACTED] I have assumed that you would like information for the last three years. Since 1 January 2013, there have been 15 RAF pilots embedded in other nations' armed forces who have been deployed on operations. Duties undertaken on deployment do not necessarily only include offensive operations other examples are routine maritime patrol or air transport delivering supplies.

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](mailto: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,

[Original signed]

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