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Dear

## Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence dated 12 February 2016 requesting the following information:

'As an FOI request can you provide the number of ÓPDEFs raised by the six newest Type 23 Frigates (RICHMOND, SOMERSET, SUTHERLAND, PORTLAND, KENT & ST ALBANS) for the same period, 2011-2015.'

Your enquiry has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I can confirm that the Department holds some of the information you have requested about the incidence of operational defects (OPDEFs) and it is provided in the table below:

	OPDEF	OPDEF	OPDEF	OPDEF
	2012	2013	2014	2015
HMS Richmond	109	165	193	273
HMS Somerset	31	208	150	128
HMS Sutherland	297	159	0	137
HMS Portland	4	129	146	105
HMS Kent	143	146	239	176
HMS St Albans	189	45	158	134

Unfortunately there is no reliable data on this available for 2011.

Across all 6 ships over the period requested, over 99% of allocated tasking was met.

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

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Yours sincerely

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