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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email received by the Ministry Of Defence on 11th January 2016 requesting the following information:

“How many reservists there are in Northamptonshire?”

We are treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). We have now completed a search for the information you requested and I can confirm that all information in scope of your request is held.

An estimated 90 of the 34,000 Future Reserve 2020 Volunteer Reserves on strength as at 1 December 2015 were stationed in Northamptonshire.

Notes

1. The FR20 Volunteer Reserve population includes mobilised Volunteer Reserves, High Readiness Reserves (HRR) and those volunteer reserves serving on Full Time Reserve Service (FTRS) and Additional Duties Commitment (ADC). Non Regular Permanent Staff (NRPS), Expeditionary Forces Institute (EFI), Sponsored Reserves and University Officer Cadets are excluded.
2. Reserve personnel numbers are sourced from the Joint Personnel Administration (JPA) system. Location data are based on the location of the Unit attended by the individual as recorded in the JPA system. The figures are based on Service personnel's Unit location and not their location of residence – the Unit that Reservists attend isn't necessarily where they live. For Reservists with specialist skills posted to National Units the Posted Unit may be a long way from where they live. Personnel mobilised outside the UK are shown against their UK Unit location.
3. Location statistics have been reported as estimates because stationed location data has not been verified for the Reserves.
4. Figures have been rounded to the nearest 10, numbers ending in “5” have been rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to prevent systematic bias.

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Yours sincerely,

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