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Dear

Thank you for your email date of 23 April 2015 requesting the following information:

"Please list properties owned in Scotland. Also list the properties where the MOD has an interest in Scotland.

Also can you list all the properties that the MOD has disposed in Scotland for each of the last six years. Also can you list all of the properties that the MOD is about to dispose of in Scotland over the next two years. "

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

I am writing to confirm that the Ministry of Defence (MOD) holds information on some of the subjects you have requested. However, I have to advise you that we will not be able to answer your request without exceeding the appropriate limit. This is because to determine, locate and extract the information in scope of your request would involve at least some 8 days of effort.

Section 12 of the FOIA makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit, which for central government is set at £600. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3.5 working days in determining whether the department holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting it.

Under Section 16 of the FOIA (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that the MOD may be able to provide some information in scope of your request if you reduce or refine your request to bring the cost of compliance under the limit. For example, by requesting just the disposals over the last six years.

In reference to your question about properties in Scotland that the MOD will dispose of over the next two years; under Section 16 of the FOIA you may find it helpful to note that a list of all MOD future disposal properties is available in the public domain and can be accessed online at the following address: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/disposal-database-house-of-commons-report>

Yours sincerely,

DIO Secretariat.

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.gov.uk>.