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Dear [REDACTED]

Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence dated 28 June 2016 requesting the following information:

- 1. Why is Greenwich Hospital not listed among the "organisations you can ask for information" on the Freedom of Information GOV.UK website?*
- 2. Please will you inform me to whom Greenwich Hospital can be held accountable?*
- 3. Please supply me with a copy of Greenwich Hospital's Complaints Procedure Policy Document.*
- 4. If you are unable to supply me with this information, please will you inform me to whom this request should be made?'*

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 does hold some of the information you have requested. The answers to your questions are as follows:

- 1) Greenwich Hospital is not a division of the Ministry of Defence but is a separate non-public body which is not included in Schedule 1 of the FOI Act and therefore has no obligation to disclose information in response to a request under the Act. Indeed, on its own website Greenwich Hospital makes clear the status that it has:

"... a unique Crown body, we are governed also by the Greenwich Hospital Acts 1865 to 1996, which have been passed over the years to reflect changing social circumstances and the evolution of the Hospital. We do not fall under the requirements of the Charities Acts of 1992 or 2006, nor the jurisdiction of Charity Commissioners, but we do try to follow the best practices in the charity sector while meeting the requirements of our own Acts."

- 2) The Secretary of State for Defence is the sole Trustee of Greenwich Hospital and he is represented on the Advisory Board of the Hospital by the Navy Command Secretary.
- 3)&4) We can confirm that Greenwich Hospital has no applicable complaints procedure for complaints of this nature. Therefore the information is not held either by the Ministry of Defence or Greenwich Hospital.

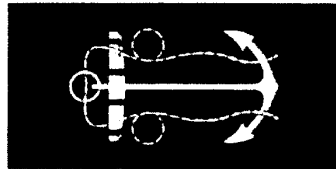
If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, 2nd Floor, Zone N, 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.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely

Navy Command Secretariat – FOI Section

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ELIZABETH THE SECOND by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Our Other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith:

TO Our trusty and well beloved His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, Royal Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Grand Master and First and Principal Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the British Empire, Member of the Order of Merit, Companion of the Order of Australia, Extra Companion of the Queen's Service Order

GREETING:

NOW KNOW YOU that We have thought fit to transfer to you, the said Prince Philip, upon the occasion of His Royal Highness' 90th birthday, the honour and title of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom

GIVEN at Our Court at Saint James's this 10th day of June in the sixtieth year of Our Reign

