

THE 20 YEAR RULE: MONITORING AND REPORTING

MOD Record Transfer Report – Autumn 2014

Explanatory Text

The MOD is committed to meeting the 30:20 year transition timetable, and adherence to each transition year will take precedence over the review of legacy period records. All 1983/84 and 1985/86 records have been reviewed, and initial assessment of 1987/88 records has commenced. The MOD has plans in place to ensure that selected records are transferred to The National Archives in a timely and consistent manner, and is working in future to allow for the transfer of more in-year records within the calendar year to which they relate.

The MOD continues to make progress in reducing the volume of records in the legacy period. It is planned to complete the review of these, consisting predominantly of files in the MOD Main Archive with a last enclosure date of pre-1981, by September 2015. The history, scale and complexity of the MOD means that records may continue to be found from the legacy period, and these will be reported when identified.

The MOD continues to transfer records (for example World War Two RAF Casualty Packs) not included in this report since the records are covered by a Lord Chancellor's Instrument.