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Thank you for your email of 1 Jun 2015 requesting copies of the following policies:

*British Forces Germany Health Service MATI dated 31 January 2003 (IVF Policy).*

*British Forces Germany Health Service - Treatment/entitlement Policy for UK based soldiers visiting Entitled Spouse in Germany.*

Your enquiry has been treated as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000 and the MOD can confirm that it holds information within the scope of your enquiry.

Please find attached the following documents that are relevant to your request:

- a. Medical Administration and Technical Instruction (MATI). 31 January 2003 entitled Guidance on Funding for Infertility Problems in British Forces Germany (Issue 4).
- b. Standing Instructions for the British Forces in Germany, Part iii, Chapter 3, Standing Instructions 3303, entitled Regulations for Medical and Dental Treatment and Admission to Hospital.

In addition those above, the following document may also be relevant to your request:

- a. Joint Services Publication 770 entitled Tri Service Operational and Non Operational Welfare Policy (Issue 10).

As it is already available in the public domain it is exempt for release under Section 21 of the FOIA. The information is reasonably accessible by other means, please find a link to the document [here](#)

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 the Headquarters of the Surgeon General 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 Deputy Chief Information Officer, 2nd Floor, MOD

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Yours sincerely,

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