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Dear [REDACTED],

Request for Information

Thank you for your letter of 3 October 2015. You asked:

***New Button Designs***

***1. Designs now introduced***

***The Royal Yeomanry***

- ***What is the design?\****
- ***Which sizes have been produced?***
- ***When were they approved?***

***94 (Berkshire Yeomanry) Signal Squadron***

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***Gurkha Staff & Personnel Support Branch, A.G.C.***

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- ***What sizes have been produced?***
- ***When were they approved?***

***\*If sketches or photos are readily available, copies would be most helpful.***

***2. Designs under consideration***

**Please give details of any new button design currently being considered.**

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD), and I can confirm that some of the information in scope of your request is held.

I shall answer your questions in turn:

**1. New button designs:**

**The Royal Yeomanry:**

**Design:** Button, insignia. The Royal Yeomanry. Anodised aluminium, silver finish.

**Sizes produced:** 22 ligne, 30 ligne and 40 ligne.

**Approved:** 08/05/2012.

**94 (Berkshire Yeomanry) Signal Squadron:**

There is no information held on this button.

**Gurkha Staff & Personnel Support Branch A.G.C:**

**Design:** Button, insignia. Gurkha, Staff and Personnel Support (GSPS). Black plastic with scroll and Kukri.

**Sizes produced:** 14mm and 19mm

**Approved:** 02/05/2013

Unfortunately, there are no photos or sketches of these designs held on our systems.

**2. Designs under consideration:**

At present button designs are currently in development for The Royal Lancers and Scottish and Northern Irish Yeomanry.

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, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail [CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk](mailto: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.

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Yours sincerely,



DE&S Secretariat