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Email: [REDACTED]

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 2 March 2015 requesting the following information:

*I would like to get the annual flying hour totals for the following platforms:*

- a) Typhoon
- b) Tornado GR4
- c) C-130J
- d) C-17
- e) Chinook
- f) Merlin HC3
- g) Merlin HM1/2
- h) Apache
- i) Sentinel

*For the years 2008-09 to the current full year.*

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 information within the scope of your request is held and can be found in the table below:

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
<b>Typhoon</b>	9,970	9,888	9,982	14,028	15,350	16,973
<b>Tornado GR4</b>	17,397	17,936	20,477	21,142	16,788	15,042
<b>C-130</b>	27,301	20,650	17,970	16,920	16,110	13,850
<b>C-17</b>	8,000	8,320	8,790	8,370	8,230	8,660
<b>Chinook</b>	15,381	15,460	16,360	17,240	14,810	13,950
<b>Merlin Mk3/3a</b>	6,652	6,490	6,610	7,240	6,900	5,520
<b>Apache</b>	14,431	17,060	18,290	18,290	16,660	15,340
<b>Merlin Mk1/2</b>	3,493	6,460	7,030	5,920	6,340	5,960
<b>Sentinel</b>	1,714	2,833	3,756	4,542	3,509	3,681

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Yours sincerely

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