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Email: [REDACTED]

15 September 2016

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 18 August 2016 requesting the following information:

Number of RAF personnel married/in a civil partnership with a member of the Armed Forces.

Number of Officers married/in a civil partnership with a member of the Armed Forces.

Number of OR's married/in a civil partnership with a member of the Armed Forces.

Number of RAF personnel married/in a civil partnership with a member of the Armed Forces who have left in 2015.

Number of RAF personnel married/in a civil partnership with a member of the Armed Forces who have left in 2014.

Number of RAF personnel married/in a civil partnership with a member of the Armed Forces who have left in 2013.

How many females in the RAF are married to another member of the Armed Forces and what is this as a percentage of females in the RAF?

How many males in the RAF are married to another member of the Armed Forces and what is this as a percentage of males in the RAF?

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, and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held. I will answer each of your questions in turn.

The number of RAF personnel who are married or in a civil partnership with a member of the Armed Forces is 2186.

The number of RAF Officers who are married or in a civil partnership with a member of the Armed Forces is 769.

The number of RAF Airmen/women who are married or in a civil partnership with a member of the Armed Forces is 1417.

The number of RAF personnel married or in a civil partnership with a member of the Armed Forces and left the in Service in 2015 is 199.

The number of RAF personnel married or in a civil partnership with a member of the Armed Forces who left the Service in 2014 is 226.

The number of RAF personnel married or in a civil partnership with a member of the Armed Forces who left the Service in 2013 is 237.

The number of females in the RAF who are married or in a civil partnership with another member of the Armed Forces is 1114, this equates to approximately 24% of all females in the RAF.

The number of males in the RAF who are married or in a civil partnership with another member of the Armed Forces is 1072, this equates to approximately 4% of all males in the RAF.

The information that I have provided is correct as recorded in the Joint Personnel Administration system at 1 September 2016.

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, 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.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

[Original signed]

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