



# Ministry of Defence

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 25 July 2014 requesting the following information:

- 1) All e-mails, letters, notes of telephone calls or meetings, between (i) MOD Ministers and (ii) Special Advisors with the RAF Aerobatic Team (and their administrative support) regarding the Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games.
- 2) All e-mails, letters, notes of telephone calls or meetings, between (i) MOD Ministers and (ii) Special Advisors with the organisers of the Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games or any organisation working for them, or on their behalf, regarding the Games Opening Ceremony on 23/07/2014.

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 no information in scope of part (1) of your request is held and some information is held in respect of part (2) of your request. The information you have requested can be found enclosed.

As I advised in my previous letter, some of the information you have requested falls within the scope of the following qualified exemption(s) under the Act: Section 35 (Formulation of Government Policy, Ministerial Correspondence). This exemption is a qualified exemption and, as such, it has been necessary to decide whether, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure. I can confirm that it has been decided in this case that it does not and this exemption has not been applied to the release of documents in scope of your request.

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, 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.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner. 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,

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