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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email enquiry of 1 March requesting the following information with regards to Late Entry (LE) Commissions awarded to Operating Department Practitioners (ODP) in the RAMC:

- **For each year over the period 2013 – 2015 how many ODPs applied for an LE Commission and of these how many were successful?**
- **What is the current minimum rank required to apply for an LE Commission as an ODP?**

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

This information is shown at Annex A.

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, 1st 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.

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Yours sincerely

[Redacted signature]

Annex A

Year	No of applicants	No of successful applicants
2013/14	~	~
2014/15	~	~
2015/16	~	~

~ The number is sufficiently small that National Statistics rounding conventions require it to be categorised as between one to five to prevent inadvertent identification of individuals.

Minimum rank to apply is Sergeant.