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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your letter of 16 September 2015 requesting the following information:

I would be obliged if you could provide me with the following information as a freedom of information request.

I would be obliged if you could advise the relationship between the Defence Sports and Recreation Association and the Ministry of Defence. Could you advise if the DSRA staff are civil servants or are privately employed? Could you also advise what funding is allocated to the Defence Sports and Recreation Association or if relies solely on charitable donations or membership funding?

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.

The Defence Sports and Recreational Association (DSRA) is a non-profit making body that exists to promote sporting and recreational activities for civilian staff within the Ministry of Defence

The Defence Sports & Recreational Association (DSRA) was formed in 1990 to promote health and fitness amongst MOD civilian staff through the provision of sporting and recreational opportunity.

The DSRA has three staff, all of whom are MOD civil servants.

No public money is spent on DSRA events and initiatives with money deriving solely from internal fundraising.

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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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.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

Defence People Secretariat