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## Dear

Thank you for your email of 19<sup>th</sup> February 2015 requesting the following information:

- "1. What is the number of staff working at the department?
- 2. How many Twitter accounts is the department responsible for, either directly or indirectly, and what are their @ handles?
- 3. How many employees in the department have licences for social media products?"

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 all the information in scope of your request is held.

Part 1 of your request is covered by Section 21 of the act (reasonably accessible by other means). The information is already in the public domain and can be found at these two sites: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/mod-civilian-personnel-quarterly-report-2015">https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/uk-armed-forces-quarterly-personnel-report-2015</a>

A list of the 123 twitter accounts that the department is responsible for can be found enclosed.

In answer to part 3 of your request, the MOD has 100 licences for Hootsuite which are shared across Defence.

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). 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, <a href="http://www.ico.org.uk">http://www.ico.org.uk</a>

Yours sincerely,

DDC Secretariat Parliamentary