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Dear

Thank you for your email of 26 July 2016 requesting the following information:

*"Please send me:*

*1. information regarding the licences granted by the Ministry of Defence to hunts in the United Kingdom for the upcoming period 31 July 2016 to 31 April 2017 inclusive.*

*I am requesting all of the information with regards to licenced hunt meets, the names of the hunts, the locations of the meets and the dates of the meets that are held on Ministry of Defence land.*

*This includes any pack of hounds that is registered with the*

*o The Masters of Foxhounds Association*

*o The Masters of Minkhounds Association*

*o The Masters of Deerhounds Association*

*o Association of Masters of Harriers and Beagles"*

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 (MOD) and I can confirm that no information in scope of your request is held.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that the earliest hunt licences are usually applied for in the middle of August.

The MOD does not hold any licences with the Masters of Minkhounds Association or the Masters of Deerhounds Association.

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, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Zone N, 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 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.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

DIO Secretariat