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Dear ,

Thank you for your email to the Army dated 4 March in which you requested the following information:

I am writing to you because I am a student at sixth form college, I am investigating EQULAITY OF SEXES IN THE PUBLIC SERVICES. I would appreciate if you could give me some ideas or put me in contact with someone who could meet with myself or email me some info on this subject.

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000. Following a search of our records, I can confirm that the Ministry of Defence (MOD) does hold information relating to your request.

Under Section 21 of the FOI Act the MOD is not obliged to supply information that is reasonably accessible to the applicant, by other means. In this case information on Government equalities policy can be viewed online here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/government-equalities-office

You may also find the following link to the Equalities Act 2010 useful:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/equality-act-2010-guidance

I hope that this information will be helpful to you.

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

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Yours sincerely,

Defence People Secretariat