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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 23 February to Squadron Leader [REDACTED] requesting a copy of the Board of Inquiry report relating to the Typhoon ZJ943 accident at China Lake on 23 April 2008.

I am treating this as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000 and I can confirm that we hold this information, which is attached.

You will see that some of the information has been withheld. This information is exempt from release under section 40(2) of the FOIA as it is personal data. Section 40 of the Act is an absolute exemption and there is therefore no requirement to consider the public interest in making a decision to withhold the information. Additionally, some information at the end of page 1.2-23 has been withheld as it is not within the scope of your request.

If you are not satisfied with this response or 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,

Air Command Secretariat