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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 19 June, which has been considered to be a request for information under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000; I have been asked to reply on behalf of the Ministry of Defence (MOD).

In your email you requested the following:

“Subject: Moderation Panel 556 - Air-USVF RAF Liaison Party

1. I request the names of the moderation panel board members for No 556, (Air - USVF RAF Liaison Parties E1) held on 12th June 2015.
2. The names of anyone not a member of Panel 556 who was at the moderation panel meeting held on 12th June 2015
3. How many E1 Staff in total, by department, were included in moderation panel No 556 - i.e RAFLP, BST and MODLO E1's
4. How many Staff and from which department, received box 1 - RAFLP, BST and MODLO E1's
5. How many Staff and from which department, received box 2 - RAFLP, BST and MODLO E1's
6. How many Staff and from which department, received box 3 - RAFLP, BST and MODLO E1's”

A search for the information has now been completed within the MOD, and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held. In accordance with the Data Protection Act and our obligations in relation to the protection of confidentiality when handling personal data, data has been rounded to the nearest 10, where “~” denotes a number less than or equal to 5.

For queries 1 and 2, requests for information relating to third party personal data is exempt from release under the terms of section 40(2) of the FOI Act (Personal Information), in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998.

Query 3 – Panel 556 (for 2014/15) comprised the following number of E1 staff, by functional area:

Functional Area	Number of E1 staff
RAF Liaison Party (RAFLP)	~
Business Support Team (BST)	10
MOD Liaison Office (MODLO)	~

For queries 4 – 6, panel 556 box markings were as follows:

Functional Area	Box 1	Box 2	Box 3
RAFLP	0	~	~
BST	~	10	0
MODLO	0	~	0

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 this office 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.

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,


Air Command Secretariat