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Dear [REDACTED];

Thank you for your email of 10 March in which you requested the following information:

I would like to lodge a freedom of information request for all of the current 2 star, 3 star and 4 star officers currently serving within the British Armed Forces (The Army, The Royal Navy and the RAF) and their current posts, including any senior officers attached to NATO or on overseas detachment.

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). I apologise for the time it has taken to respond. A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm information in scope of your request is held. For the first part of your question, the information is exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), because it is reasonably accessible to you by other means. It is already in the public domain at the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/mod-roles-and-salaries-2014>

The information which can be released about senior officers on overseas attachments broken down by Service is as follows:

ROYAL NAVY

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| 1. Vice Admiral I F Corder | UK Military Representative, HQ NATO Brussels, Belgium |
| 2. Rear Admiral T M Lowe | Deputy Commander Striking Force NATO, Lisbon, Portugal |

ROYAL MARINES

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| 1. Lieutenant General E G M Davis | Deputy Commander Land Command, Izmir, Turkey |
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ARMY

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| 1. Major General Bathurst | Afghanistan - Dep Adv MOI Kabul |
| 2. General Bradshaw | Belgium - DSACEUR - SHAPE |
| 3. Major General Bruce | Kuwait - DComd CJTF Op SHADER |
| 4. Major General Cripwell | USA - Head British Defence Staff US |
| 5. Major General Fattorini | Oman - Senior British Loan Service Officer |
| 6. Major General Foster | USA - Deputy Mil Advisor to the UN - New York |
| 7. Major General Jones | USA - COS SACT - Virginia |
| 8. Major General Norton | Italy - DComd NRDF Italy |
| 9. Major General Weyhill | Italy - DCOS Plans JFC Naples |

ROYAL AIR FORCE

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| 1. Air Vice-Marshal S C Evans | Senior British Military Advisor, USA |
| 2. Air Vice-Marshal G P Farnell | General Manager – NATO Eurofighter and Typhoon Management Agency, Germany |
| 3. Air Vice-Marshal C Morrison | Director General Saudi Armed Forces Project |
| 4. Air Vice-Marshal M Wigston | Commander British Forces Cyprus and Administer of the Sovereign Base Area |
| 5. Air Marshal Sir Christopher Harper | Director General International Military Staff, NATO Headquarters, Belgium |
| 6. Air Marshal G E Stacey | Deputy Commander, Joint Force Command, Brunssum |

Some of the information for the Army is exempt under the FOIA and is therefore being withheld. The following exemption has been applied: Section 27 – International Relations. As this is a qualified exemption and in accordance with the FOIA, we are obliged to carry out a Public Interest Test (PIT). This has now been completed. In respect of Section 27 of the FOIA, we have concluded that while this is an area where the understanding of the UK Armed Forces in the international arena could be enhanced, disclosure could increase the risk to the safety and security of Coalition forces and damage the UK's international relations with some allies. Therefore section 27 of the FOIA is applicable. I can confirm that the outcome of the PIT fell in favour of withholding the information.

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 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,

Defence People Secretariat