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Dear

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for email of 07 December 2015 requesting the following information:

"Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for ICT/Digital/Business Change Programmes & Strategy?"

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am aware that you submitted the same FOI request separately to the following organisations:

Ministry of Defence Nuclear Safety Committee Nuclear Research Advisory Council Oil and Pipelines Agency Defence Scientific Advisory Council Defence Electronics and Components Agency

The separate requests have been closed and my response below should be regarded as a response to those requests.

A search within the organisations listed above has been completed and I can confirm that the information in scope of your request is held.

I can confirm the following for the Ministry of Defence (MOD):

- the senior officer responsible for ICT/Digital is Mr Mike Stone;
- the senior officer responsible for Business Change is Mr Mark Preston;
- the senior officer responsible for Strategy is Mr Will Jessett.

For the remaining organisations, Section 40(2) has been applied in order to protect personal information as governed by the Data Protection Act 1998. Section 40 is an absolute exemption and there is therefore no requirement to consider the public interest in making a decision to withhold the information. Section 40(2) has been applied as the names of those engaged in the role of SIRO for the organisations listed are not in the public domain.

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, 1<sup>st</sup> 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, <a href="http://www.ico.org.uk">http://www.ico.org.uk</a>.

Yours sincerely,

Information Systems and Services (ISS) Secretariat