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Our Reference: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 25 January 2016 requesting the following information:

Under the FOI Act could you provide me with the amount spent by the Ministry of Defence on external recruitment agencies and headhunters.

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI Act). In regard to your request, the information is exempt under Section 21 of the FOIA, because it is reasonably accessible to you by other means. It is already in the public domain at the following links:

[https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/411621/20150310\\_MOD\\_External\\_Recruitment\\_Agencies\\_001.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/411621/20150310_MOD_External_Recruitment_Agencies_001.pdf)

[https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/487686/1\\_May\\_2015B.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/487686/1_May_2015B.pdf)

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Yours sincerely,

Defence People Secretariat FOI

