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Dear [REDACTED]

Release of Information

Thank you for your email of 4 December 2017 in which you requested the following information:

'1. What are the latest figures for how many U.S. Coast Guard personnel are deployed on Royal Navy ships, if any? How many in total throughout the Royal Navy?

2. In calendar years 2016 and 2017, has the Royal Navy conducted joint operations with the U.S. Coast Guard out of mainland Britain and/or out of British territorial around mainland Britain? If so, in the broadest sense, what were they?'

Your enquiry is being treated as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

A search has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD) and I can confirm that the Department holds the information that you have requested.

Taking your questions in order:

Q1. What are the latest figures for how many U.S. Coast Guard personnel are deployed on Royal Navy ships, if any? How many in total throughout the Royal Navy?

A1.

| | US Coastguard Total No | US Coastguard on Royal Navy ships |
|------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2017 | 40* | 30* |

*In line with disclosure control policy, data has been rounded to the nearest 10.

Q2. In calendar years 2016 and 2017, has the Royal Navy conducted joint operations with the U.S. Coast Guard out of mainland Britain and/or out of British territorial around mainland Britain? If so, in the broadest sense, what were they?

A2. No.

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Yours sincerely

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