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Dear

Thank you for your email of 15 May 2017 requesting the following information:

"Able Seaman Hydrography & Meteorology who has recently been medically discharged.

On discharge, the individual concerned had reached the rank of AB1 and had completed 4 years service, he was serving on a Full Career

Could you please provide the following information:

For the last 7 years:

- 1. The chances of survival from year of service 4 to year of service 30
- 2. The chances of securing an Extended Career (EC) to allow him to serve beyond his existing Full Career
- 3. The average progression rates up to and including Warrant Officer 1"

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

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that most of the information in scope of your request is held.

In response to your question 2 under section 40(5)(a) of the Act the Ministry Of Defence has to neither confirm nor deny whether it holds any information in scope of your request. This is because of the duty to protect the personal data of individuals. Section 40 is an absolute exemption and therefore not subject to a public interest test.

The remaining information you have requested can be found in the Annex.

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, Ground 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 Statistics Navy

Annex

Table 1. The chances an OR-2 Hydrography & Meteorology with Length of Service (LOS) 4 years will achieve each LOS before exiting:

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Length of Service	Chance of Completing length	
(years)	of service	
0	100%	
1	100%	
2	100%	
3	100%	
4	100%	
5	84%	
6	69%	
7	58%	
8	49%	
9	44%	
10	42%	
11	40%	
12	37%	
13	34%	
14	32%	
15	32%	
16	31%	
17	30%	
18	28%	
19	26%	
20	26%	
21	24%	
22	20%	
23	16%	
24	14%	
25	12%	
26	11%	
27	9%	
28	7%	
29	4%	
30	4%	
31	3%	
32	2%	
33	1%	
34	0%	
35	0%	
36	0%	
37	0%	
38	0%	
39	0%	
40	0%	

Source: Defence Statistics (Navy)

Table 2. Chance of promotion for an OR-2 Royal Navy Hydrography and Meteorology Other Ranks with LOS 4.

Rank		Chance of Promotion to rank	
OR-4	Leading Hand	53%	
OR-6	Petty Officer	34%	
OR-7	Chief Petty Officer	19%	
OR-8	Warrant Officer 2	4%	
OR-9	Warrant Officer 1	4%	

Source: Defence Statistics Navy

Table 3. Expected LOS in rank and expected LOS on promotion to rank, in years, for an OR-2 Royal Navy Hydrography and Meteorology Other Ranks with LOS 4.

Rank		Expected LOS in Rank	Expected LOS on promotion to the rank
OR-2	Able Rating	2.7	N/A
OR-4	Leading Hand	4.6	6.6
OR-6	Petty Officer	6.8	11.1
OR-7	Chief Petty Officer	6.5	18.4
OR-8	Warrant Officer 2	N/A	N/A
OR-9	Warrant Officer 1	5.4	25.0

Source: Defence Statistics (Naw)

Notes

N/A is present in table 3 because you cannot be promoted to OR2.

Expected LOS in table 1 is calculated by using the averages of historic data.

Averages are produced using the time period 1 April 2009 – 31 March 2016.

Exiting denotes anything that results in an ending of Regular service e.g. time expiry, voluntary outflow, death etc.

Note that for the current rank this is expected LOS in rank from 1 April of the year from which the forecast is being run. You will need to add on LOS up to 1 April of that year to get total expected LOS in the current rank).