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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 23 May requesting the following information regarding VEng (Short):

For 2016 (which is the 8th year of service for a soldier who joined the Army on a VEng(Short) in 2008)

- **How many Infantry LCpls were considered for CONDITIONAL selection from a VEng(Short) to a VEng(Full) in 2016?**
- **Of those considered, how many were granted a CONDITIONAL selection to a VEng(Full) in 2016?**
- **What was the medical grading of those who were successful?**
- **Was the medical grading alone a reason for non-conversion?**

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

The information you require is shown at Annex A attached.

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, Zone D, 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

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For 2016 (which is the 8th year of service for a soldier who joined the Army on a VEng(Short) in 2008)

- **How many Infantry LCpls were considered for CONDITIONAL selection from a VEng(Short) to a VEng(Full) in 2016?**
170
- **Of those considered, how many were granted a CONDITIONAL selection to a VEng(Full) in 2016?**
130
- **What was the medical grading of those who were successful?**
The majority were Medical Fully Deployable (MFD), with less than 10 Medical Non Deployable(Temporary) (MND(T)).
- **Was the medical grading alone a reason for non-conversion?**
No

Under National Statistics rounding conventions all figures are rounded to the nearest 10, numbers ending in 5 have been rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to avoid systematic bias. Figures below 5 are denoted by ~, zero is denoted by -. Totals and sub-totals have been rounded separately and may not equal the sum of their rounded parts.