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Sent: 09 October 2015 15:52
To: Air- [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: 20150929_FOI RAF FD Events for past six months
Attachments: Copy of 20151008_FOI 08411 FD Events.xlsx

[REDACTED]
 I have received some information from [REDACTED] concerning FD events. Under section 16 of the FOI Act (Advice and Assistance), I will need to explain what GETC and total costs are.

Sorry to be a pain, but could you take a look at [REDACTED] response below to my points 5 and 6, and let me have any comments that you think may be helpful. I am not sure I understand about the Central Fund...?

Also, are these figures ok to be released publicly? Do they need to be rounded?

I'll see you on Monday.

Many thanks.

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From: Air- [REDACTED]
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Thanks for the input. The requester has asked for the last 6 months (from the date of his request), so I have cut down the spreadsheet with the first applicable FD event being 12 April 2015.

There are a number of points I would like to clarify before the information is publicly released in its current form. Under the FOI Act Section 16 (Advice and Assistance) the RAF/MOD will provide some lines to support the information released. Consequently, I would be grateful if you could provide the following:

1. A list of the Orgs acronyms written in full (column C) – can you send your version back and I will add the units in full.
2. You mention that the spreadsheet covers points i-iv, however I can't find the 'Reason' (Q iii, below) for each event on the spreadsheet....? For example, are they recorded as 'Leadership' FD's, or similar? They are all doing Staff Rides – Airpower studies and ethos and heritage, which are sub-headings of FD.
3. I note the costs are not rounded. Are you content with this? I will also confirm with 22 Trg Gp Finance and Air Stats. Yes I am content.

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4. There are a couple of blank cells, on rows 13 and 14, for HWY and Val. Do you hold the costs for these events? I can dig them out if you send me your version.

5. Please provide a few lines explaining the comment about the costs that are covered between units and Central Fund, as I will need to explain during the clearance process. If you cannot provide this, please let me know, and I will ask finance. Staff Rides are funded up to 50% from the Central Fund and the rest from unit funds. An Annex B, of leaflet 2415, AP 3379, is raised by the unit and sent to me, I will then vet the application and provide approval. The unit pays for the Staff Ride in full and upon production of a Post Ex Report I then request Finance to transfer the funds from the Central Fund back to unit.

6. Please provide a few lines explaining why the difference between total and GETC costs – is this linked to point nr. 5 above? If you cannot provide this, please let me know, and I will ask finance. Linked to above point.

7. Are you content for this spreadsheet and its contents to be released into the public domain? I will also check with 22 Trg Gp Finance. Not being an expert in what is releasable or not I don't think I am qualified to comment but from a personal perspective I am happy to justify the decisions made.

Grateful for a response by **noon 14 Oct.**

VMT.

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Central Fund is public money
[REDACTED] money.