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Thank you for your email dated 13 February 2018. You asked:

***Please could you let me know whether the Royal Navy procures condoms for serving men and women. If so, could you let me know the purpose behind this procurement and the annual number of condoms procured for 2016 and 2017.***

I am treating your email as a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD), and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is not held in the format that you have requested.

Section 16 of the FOIA requires a public authority to offer advice and assistance on how to reduce or refine a request. In this regard, the following information may be helpful.

Condoms are procured for the UK Armed Forces including the Royal Navy. We can provide the annual number of condoms procured in 2016 and 2017 as a total for all three Services, but we do not hold that information by individual Service.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request 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](mailto:CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk)). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours Sincerely,

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