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Dear [REDACTED]

Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence of 17 July 2018 in which you clarified that you required the following information:

'I would like the number of personnel deployed to RIMPAC 2018 and the rank of the commander in charge thanks.'

Your enquiry has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held. In response to your request I can tell you that 19 Royal Navy (RN) personnel were deployed on the Rim of the Pacific exercise in 2018 and the rank of the officer in charge of the RN contingent was Lieutenant RN.

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

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Yours sincerely

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