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Ref: FOI2017/09200

Reply to:

6 October 2017

Dear

Thank you for your email of 24 September 2017 requesting the following information:

## "Senior Resident Judge of the WP & AFC Chamber of the First Tier Tribunal

Fiona Monk has been appointed on a Secondment basis to the above Tribunal as from 1 September 2017.

The above Tribunal has seen many changes from, it seems, Veterans Agency failure to provide the information, from its Archives, the Tribunal seeks, or has sought.

## Please detail:-

- 1. The names and tenure of former Senior Resident Judges of WP&AFC Chamber.
- 2. The reason for their short tenures.
- 3. Please advise that the problems dealing with British Nuclear Test Veterans has had no impact on Recruitment or Tenacity of Purpose"

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

The issues raised in your FOI request concern the appointment of Tribunal Judges. As these are matters that are handled by the Ministry of Justice. I can therefore advise you that the Ministry of Defence does not hold information within the scope of your request.

In accordance with Section 16 of the FOIA I can advise you to approach the Ministry of Justice on this matter if you have not already done so.

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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