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Email to: [REDACTED]

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 26 August 2017 requesting the following information:

"I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from Ministry of Defence:

- 1) *The number of foreign cadets who have attended Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, for the last five years. Divided by year.*
- 2) *The number of foreign cadets who have attended Britannia Royal Naval College Dartmouth, for the last five years. Divided by year.*
- 3) *The number of foreign cadets who have attended Royal Air Force College Cranwell, for the last five years. Divided by year.*
- 4) *The number of foreign officer cadets who have attended Commando Training Centre Royal Marines, for the last five years. Divided by year.*
- 5) *With each institution please also provide a table/data on the countries the foreign cadets are from. To refine the request in a helpful way, these do not need to be divided by year but can represent the whole five year period, but separated for each institution."*

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

The provision of International Defence Training (IDT) is a key element of Defence Engagement - UK military training is highly regarded and much in demand. Defence training establishments offer international students prestigious courses which expose

our partners to UK policy, and promote concepts of accountability, human rights and transparency. They are important in building skills which enable other countries to deal appropriately with their own internal problems, thereby contributing to regional security.

I can advise you that following a search of our records, I have established that the Ministry of Defence (MOD) holds some information within the scope of your request. The answers are set out below in the same order as your request. In accordance with the Data Protection Act and our obligations in relation to the protection of confidentiality when handling personal data, disclosure control has been applied to the figures provided herewith. Disclosure control is necessary when presenting any statistical or numeric information to safeguard the confidentiality of individuals, to protect commercially sensitive information, or where sharing the statistics may pose a threat to security.

To ensure that no commercially sensitive information or information that may pose a threat to security is released, producers consult subject matter experts within MOD and apply appropriate methods of disclosure control, including the withholding of data from publication if judged necessary.

The figures provided in this response have been rounded to the nearest 10, where “-” denotes zero, “~” denotes a number less than or equal to five. When rounding up to the nearest 10, numbers ending in a “5” have been rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to prevent the systematic bias caused by always rounding numbers upwards. For example; a value of ‘25’ would be rounded down to ‘20’ and a value of ‘15’ would be rounded up to ‘20’.

Table 1: The Number of International Defence Training cadets who attended the Royal Military Academy (RMA) Sandhurst over the last five years:

Year	Cadets
2012	70
2013	70
2014	80
2015	80
2016	80

Table 2: The Number of International cadets who attended Britannia Royal Naval College Dartmouth over the last five years:

Year	Cadets
2012	60
2013	60

2014	60
2015	60
2016	40

Table 3: The Number of International cadets who attended Royal Air Force College Cranwell over the last five years:

Year	Cadets
2012	30
2013	30
2014	70
2015	50
2016	60

Table 4: The Number of International cadets who attended the Royal Marines Commando Training Centre (RMCTC) over the last five years:

Year	Cadets
2012	~
2013	~
2014	~
2015	~
2016	~

In order to comply with our obligations in relation to the protection of confidentiality when handling personal data, we are unable to give the number of foreign officer cadets who have attended RMCTC for each year where this figure was under 5.

However, I can advise that the total number of foreign officer cadets between 2012 and 2016 was 20.

The following tables list the countries that have provided International cadets over the last five years to RMA Sandhurst, RN CTC Dartmouth, RM CTC Lympstone and RAF College Cranwell:

Table 5: RMA Sandhurst - International Cadets: Sending Nations:

Afghanistan	Iraq	Pakistan
Albania	Jamaica	Papua New Guinea

Armenia	Jordan	Qatar
Azerbaijan	Kazakhstan	Saudi Arabia
Bahrain	Kenya	Sierra Leone
Bangladesh	Kosovo	Singapore
Bhutan	Kuwait	South Africa
Bosnia Herzegovina	Kyrgyzstan	South Sudan
Brunei	Lebanon	Sudan
Burundi	Libya	Tajikistan
China	Liechtenstein	Tanzania
Columbia	Luxembourg	Thailand
Egypt	Macedonia	Trinidad & Tobago
Fiji	Malawi	UAE

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Gabon	Malaysia	Uganda
Gambia	Malta	Ukraine
Georgia	Nepal	USA
Germany	Nigeria	Vietnam
Ghana	Occupied Palestinian Territories	Yemen
Indonesia	Oman	

Table 6: RN CTC Dartmouth - International Cadets: Sending Nations

Albania	Ghana	Philippines
Algeria	Indonesia	Qatar
Angola	Iraq	Saudi Arabia
Azerbaijan	Jamaica	Senegal
Bahamas	Jordan	Seychelles
Bahrain	Kenya	Singapore
Bangladesh	Kuwait	Sudan
Barbados	Lebanon	Tanzania
Belize	Libya	Tonga
Croatia	Malta	Trinidad & Tobago
Egypt	Mauritius	UAE
Fiji	Nigeria	Ukraine
Gambia	Oman	Yemen
Georgia	Pakistan	

Table 7: RM CTC Lymptstone - International Cadets: Sending Nations

Albania	Jamaica	UAE
Botswana	Lebanon	
Italy	Philippines	

Table 8: RAF College Cranwell - International Cadets: Sending Nations

Afghanistan	Jamaica	South Africa
Albania	Jordan	Sudan
Algeria	Kenya	Tanzania
Bahrain	Kosovo	Trinidad & Tobago
Bosnia	Kuwait	Tunisia
Botswana	Libya	UAE
Brunei	Macedonia	Uganda
China	Malawi	Ukraine
Dominion Republic	Malta	Uruguay
Egypt	Nigeria	Vietnam
Germany	Oman	Yemen
Ghana	Pakistan	Saudi Arabia
Indonesia	Philippines	
Iraq	Qatar	

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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