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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 28 July 2017 in which you requested the following information:

I would like to request the number of ex members of the armed forces have been registered as homeless between the period 2003-2017. I would like this broken down on a year-by-year basis and (if possible) local authority.

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

I am writing to advise you that the information you have requested is not held by the Ministry of Defence.

The Ministry of Defence (MOD) supports a co-ordinated approach to meet the needs of ex-service personnel, working with policy leads from across government to ensure that those ex-service personnel who require support in securing accommodation receive appropriate assistance. The Department for Communities & Local Government (DCLG) in England and the devolved administrations in Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales have primary responsibility for homelessness policy.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find the below link useful:

<http://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions-answers-statements/writtenquestion/Commons/2016-10-24/50027>

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). 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,

Defence People Secretariat