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Dear

Thank you for your email of 7 June 2018 requesting the following information:

“... to ascertain the full medal entitlement of soldier 2028949 William Bernard Lake”

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under 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 all the information in scope of your request is held.

The MOD Medal Office has traced the records for the late Mr William Bernard Lake and can confirm his medal entitlement as the following:

India General Service Medal with clasp N W Frontier
1939-45 Star
France & Germany Star
Defence Medal
War Medal

Under section 16 of the FIOA (Advice and Assistance) you may wish to be aware that information such as this can be requested by writing directly to the MOD Medal Office without referencing the Freedom of Information Act. Where the requestor has a general research interest, access to data will be limited unless the service person died more than 25 years ago. Requests (including e a copy of the death certificate) can be made in writing to the following address:

Ministry of Defence Medal Office
Imjin Barracks,
Gloucester
GL3 1HW

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.gov.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner, Office of the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

