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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 17 July 2018 requesting the following information:

".....information on the numbers of currently serving personnel from the 3 Services who come from the Carluke area in Lanarkshire..."

In our response to you of 9 August 2018 we asked *".....could you clarify if your request relates to members of the Armed Forces who were born in the Carluke area, or members of the Armed Forces who have Carluke showing as their residential address? Can I also ask you to specify whether this request is referring to regulars, reserves or all members of the Armed Forces population?"*

In your clarification of 20 August 2018 you advised *"....Yes to all please...."*

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. Rounded to the nearest multiple of ten, the number of current Service personnel who have Carluke recorded as their town of birth or as their permanent home town is sixty.

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.

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normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

A thick black horizontal bar used to redact the signature of the sender.

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