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Email to:

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Dear

Thank you for your email of 20 September 2018 requesting the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI Act):

"The Nuclear Community Fund, publishers of Exposure magazine together with other charities, are beneficiaries of libor funds allocated and administered by a department of MOD.

Please advise the details of this department together with contact details."

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

The Ministry of Defence (MOD) holds information within scope of this request. I can advise that the British Nuclear Test Veterans Association received funding through the Aged Veterans Fund. The Aged Veterans Fund was set up in 2015 and had a total of £30 million of LIBOR funds available to support older veterans.

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/227-million-awarded-to-support-older-veterans

The funding is managed by the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust, although it is now closed for applications. The Covenant Fund operated from within the MOD for its first three years of operation. In April 2018, following a decision that it should become independent, it moved to the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust: <a href="http://www.covenantfund.org.uk/">http://www.covenantfund.org.uk/</a>.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact us in the first instance at the address above. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for 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 must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end. If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint 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. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <a href="http://www.ico.org.uk">http://www.ico.org.uk</a>.

Yours sincerely,

Defence People Secretariat