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Thank you for your email of 13 September 2018 requesting the following information:

"Will soldiers medically discharged from the Army between 1 April 2018 and 24 July 2018 (the date when the government announced its decision to award a 2% pay rise and a 0.9% one-of payment (HCWS909)), receive backdated pay for their time served and the one-off 0.9% payment?"

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

The Ministry of Defence (MOD) holds information within scope of your request.

I can confirm that the pay award is being backdated to 1 April 2018 and anyone leaving the armed forces after that date should expect to receive the value of their 2% pay rise, including the 0.9% non-consolidated bonus, on a pro rata basis in line with the length of service provided after 1 April 2018.

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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Yours sincerely,

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