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Dear [REDACTED]

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

"Please can you supply me with the following details of the large structure/bunker/building demolished at Imphal Barracks, York, in around 2015? (I understand that a new accommodation block now stands on the site?)

1) *Can you please give me the official name of this large structure, which stood at approx SE6128 5021?*

2) *Can you give me the date of construction, name of the main building contractors and designers, and the total cost of this building, with a breakdown of costs into civil works and fitting-out?*

3) *Can you please provide me with a complete floor plan of the structure, which I understand to have been of three storeys?*

4) *Can you please supply me with details of how this building was to have been used, by whom, and in what circumstances? (A breakdown of people allocated space within the building would be appreciated, both civil and military).*

5) *Can you supply me with any general photographs of the interior of this building?*

6) *Can you please supply the date at which this building was declared redundant, and the month(s) of its demolition?*

7) *Can you please let me have details of how many times the building was 'exercised' and by whom?*

I hope that this information is now available, noting the time that has passed since the building was demolished - and the possible reason for its construction having long passed into history."

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 some information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested can be found below:

Question 1

NBC BUNKER/OPS CENTRE/ACCOMMODATION

Question 2, 3, 5

Information not held.

Question 4

Information not held.

Question 6

The building in question was still in use during June 2015 but, was demolished by October 2015.

Question 7

No records are held of the number of times the building was 'exercised'. It would have been used by HQ 2nd Division, General Officer Commanding and staff to retain a functioning HQ.

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

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Yours sincerely,

DIO Secretariat