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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your e-mail of 7 December requesting the following details:

For each of the years 2017 and 2018 could you please tell me the following:

- 1. How many applications were received (AFB225As) for LE commissioning into AGC(SPS)?**
- 2. Of these, how many went forward after the filter board process to the LE CAB?**
- 3. How many were then awarded a commission by the AGC Arms Selection Board?**
- 4. What is the composition, by rank and capbadge, of the Filter Board that selects applicants to go forward to the CAB?**
- 5. What is the composition, by rank and capbadge, of the AGC Arms Selection Board?**

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). The information is shown at Annex A.

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Yours sincerely

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Late Entry Commissioning – AGC(SPS)

For each of the years 2017 and 2018 could you please tell me the following:

1. How many applications were received (AFB225As) for LE commissioning into AGC(SPS)?

2017	2018
150	130

2. Of these, how many went forward after the filter board process to the LE CAB?

2017	2018
60	60

3. How many were then awarded a commission by the AGC Arms Selection Board?

2017	2018
20	20

4. What is the composition, by rank and capbadge, of the Filter Board that selects applicants to go forward to the CAB?

2017	2018
Lt Col – AGC (SPS)	Colonel – Late AGC(ETS)
Lt Col – AGC (ETS)	Lt Col – AGC (SPS)
Maj – AGC (SPS)	Lt Col – AGC (ETS)
Maj – AGC (SPS)	Maj – AGC (SPS)
Maj – AGC (RMP)	Maj – AGC (RMP)

5. What is the composition, by rank and capbadge, of the AGC Arms Selection Board?

2017	2018
The board composition for all ASBs is governed by Annex A to Chapter 3 of the CM Boarding Manual	The board composition for all ASBs is governed by Annex A to Chapter 3 of the CM Boarding Manual
The board composition for ASB17 was 4 x OF5, therefore have no cap badge as they are classed as General Staff.	The board composition for ASB18 was 4 x OF5, therefore have no cap badge as they are classed as General Staff.

Note. Under National Statistics rounding conventions to prevent inadvertent identification of individuals all figures are rounded to the nearest 10, numbers ending in 5 have been rounded up to the nearest multiple of 10 to avoid systematic bias. Figures below 5 are denoted by ~, zero is denoted by -.

Totals and sub-totals have been rounded separately and may not equal the sum of their rounded parts.