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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your e-mail of 14 November and clarified on 29 November, requesting the following details:

1. **How many Soldiers were eligible for Conditional conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?**
2. **How many Soldiers have been successful for Conditional conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?**
3. **What were the ranks of the above Soldiers?**
4. **How many Soldiers were eligible for Automatic conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?**
5. **How many Soldiers have been successful for Automatic conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?**
6. **What were the ranks of the above Soldiers?**

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). The information is enclosed. Please note that the Royal Army Physical Training Corps and the Adjutant General's Corps (Military Provost Guard Service) do not utilise the Versatile Engagement. The figures for the Corps of Royal Artillery will follow shortly.

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Yours sincerely

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### Conversion from VEng (Short) to VEng (Full) in 2018

	Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers	Royal Logistics Corps	Army Air Corps	Royal Engineers	Intelligence Corps	Royal Corps of Signals	Corps of Army Music	Corps of Royal Artillery
1. How many Soldiers were eligible for Conditional conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?	20	150	20	240	~	270	30	Not Held
2. How many Soldiers have been successful for Conditional conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?	20	Not Held	~	160	~	260	30	23
3. What were the ranks of the above Soldiers?	Cfn/LCpl	Pte/LCpl	Air Tpr/LCpl	LCpl/Cpl	LCpl	Cpl to WO1	Pte/LCpl	LBdr
4. How many Soldiers were eligible for Automatic conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?	250	Not Held	Not Held	880	260	480	40	144
5. How many Soldiers have been successful for Automatic conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?	240	Not Held	30	Not Held	60	330	40	150 (6 from previous year)
6. What were the ranks of the above Soldiers?	LCpl/Cpl	Cpl	LCpl to WO1	LCpl to Sgt	LCpl to Sgt	LCpl/Cpl	Pte/LCpl	Bdr to Sgt

	Adjutant General's Corps (Staff & Personnel Support)	Adjutant General's Corps (Royal Military Police)	Adjutant General's Corps (Military Provost Staff)	Kings Division	Foot Guards	The Parachute Regiment	Royal Gurkha Regiment	The Rifles	The Royal Regiment of Scotland, The Royal Welsh and the Royal Irish	Queens Division
1. How many Soldiers were eligible for Conditional conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?	-	-	-	10	60	10	110	10	90	~
2. How many Soldiers have been successful for Conditional conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?	-	-	-	10	20	10	60	10	20	~
3. What were the ranks of the above Soldiers?	N/A	N/A	N/A	LCpl	LCpl	LCpl	Rfn to Cpl	LCpl	Pte/LCpl	LCpl
4. How many Soldiers were eligible for Automatic conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?	Not Held	Not Held	Not Held	20	110	20	-	50	70	70
5. How many Soldiers have been successful for Automatic conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?	20	70	~	20	40	10	-	10	50	30
6. What were the ranks of the above Soldiers?	Pte-Cpl	Cpl-Sgt	Cpl	Cpl	LSgt	Cpl	N/a	Cpl	Cpl	Cpl

	Queen's Dragoon Guards	The Light Division	Scots Dragoon Guards	The Royal Tank Regiment	Queen's Royal Hussars	King's Royal Hussars	Royal Lancers	The Royal Dragoon Guards	The Household Cavalry
1. How many Soldiers were eligible for Conditional conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?	~	~	~	~	10	~	~	~	10
2. How many Soldiers have been successful for Conditional conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?	~	~	~	-	10	~	~	-	10
3. What were the ranks of the above Soldiers?	LCpl	LCpl	LCpl	LCpl	LCpl	LCpl	LCpl	LCpl	LCpl
4. How many Soldiers were eligible for Automatic conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?	10	~	10	10	10	10	10	10	20
5. How many Soldiers have been successful for Automatic conversion between a VENG(Short) and a VENG(Full) by capbadge in 2018?	~	~	~	-	~	~	~	~	10
6. What were the ranks of the above Soldiers?	Cpl	Cpl	Cpl	Cpl	Cpl	Cpl	Cpl	Cpl	Cpl

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.