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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 09 September 2017 requesting the following information:

- "1) Who the food contractor/supplier currently is for Britain's military (Army, Navy, RAF) and who it has been for the past three years (2016, 2015, 2014)*
- 2) The total annual food budget across Britain's military for 2016, 2015 and 2014.*
- 3) The average number of serving personnel across Britain's military in 2016, 2015 and 2014".*

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 all the information in scope of your request is held. Please find this below:

Leidos Supply Ltd act as managing agent for the World Wide Food Supply Contract (WWFSC), on behalf of the UK MOD under the terms of the Logistic Commodities and Services Transformation programme. The WWFSC was awarded to Purple Foodservice Solutions Ltd in 2006. PFS have therefore been the supplier of all food provided under the WWFSC for the financial years 2014/15, 2015/2016, 2016/2017.

The following table illustrates a summary of spend under the WWFSC (contract reference DCGOPS4/4313). The supplier is Purple Foodservice Solutions Limited.

2014/15	66,885,425.73	1,926,115.03	68,811,540.76
2015/16	39,837,199.59	2,234,592.11	42,071,791.70
2016/17	39,751,574.02	2,021,262.04	41,772,836.06

Under Section 21 of the Act (Information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means) you will find the information regarding numbers of service personnel on gov.uk using the link below.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/uk-armed-forces-monthly-service-personnel-statistics-2017>

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.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly 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. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

DIO Secretariat