

Defence Inquests Unit

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E-mail:

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Dear ,

Ref: FOI2019/08360

Thank you for your email of 17 July 2019 requesting the following information:

"Please could you kindly release the 2012 inquest report into the death of Officer Cadet Harry Whitworth whom died during an Skydiving Adventure Training exercise in 2011. There will be another trip to the same location this year and it would be useful to see the factors that lead to the incident occurring"

We are 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, and we can confirm that the information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested is attached to this emailed response, but some of the information falls entirely within the scope of the absolute exemptions provided for at Sections 40(2) (Personal Data), of the FOIA and has been redacted.

Section 40(2) has been applied to some of the information in order to protect personal information as governed by the Data Protection Act 1998. Section 40 is an absolute exemption and there is therefore no requirement to consider the public interest in making a decision to withhold the information.

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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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,

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