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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your e-mail of 24 April 2019 requesting the following information:

REME promotions

- **How many Officer Cadets applied for commissioning into the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (REME) whilst at RMA Sandhurst in 2016, 2017 and 2018?**
- **How many Officer Cadets who had applied to the REME for a commission in these years were interviewed (by year)?**
- **How many of these were commissioned into the REME (by year)?**
- **How many SSC DE officers in the REME were considered for a conversion to IRC in 2016, 2017 and 2018?**
- **How many of these were successful (by year)?**
- **How many IRC DE officers in the REME were considered for a conversion to Reg C in 2016, 2017 and 2018 (by year)?**
- **How many of these were successful (by year)?**
- **How many officers are in the REME by rank 2Lt through Lt Col?**

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

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Yours sincerely

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REME promotions

Question 1. How many Officer Cadets applied for commissioning into the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (REME) whilst at RMA Sandhurst in 2016, 2017 and 2018?

Answer 1. Information not held

Question 2. How many Officer Cadets who had applied to the REME for a commission in these years were interviewed (by year)?

Question 3. How many of these were commissioned into the REME (by year)?

Answer 2 and 3.

| Year | Numbers interviewed | Numbers Commissioned |
|---------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 2015/16 | 40 | 30 |
| 2016/17 | 60 | 40 |
| 2017/18 | 50 | 30 |
| 2018/19 | 80 | 50 |

Question 4. How many SSC DE officers in the REME were considered for a conversion to IRC in 2016, 2017 and 2018?

Question 5. How many of these were successful (by year)?

Answer 4 and 5.

| Year | Numbers considered for conversion to IRC | Numbers offered IRC |
|------|--|---------------------|
| 2016 | 40 | 30 |
| 2017 | 50 | 40 |
| 2018 | 20 | 20 |

Question 6. How many IRC DE officers in the REME were considered for a conversion to Reg C in 2016, 2017 and 2018 (by year)?

Question 7. How many of these were successful (by year)?

Answer 6 and 7.

| Year | Numbers considered for conversion to Reg C | Numbers offered Reg C |
|------|--|-----------------------|
| 2016 | 10 | 10 |
| 2017 | 20 | 20 |
| 2018 | 20 | 20 |

Rounding:

The data have been rounded to the nearest 5 to limit disclosure and ensure confidentiality. Totals and sub-totals have been rounded separately and so may not appear to be the sum of their parts.

“~” fewer than 5.

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Question 8. How many officers are in the REME by rank 2Lt through Lt Col?

Answer 8.

| Rank | Numbers |
|----------------|----------------|
| 2 Lt | 44 |
| Lt | 83 |
| Capt DE | 139 |
| Capt LE | 126 |
| Maj DE | 165 |
| Maj LE | 78 |
| Lt Col | 130 |