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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 14 September requesting the following information:

"The request relates to MOD service married quarters accommodation used by personnel based at Air Command HQ, Walters Ash, Bucks.

- 1. A breakdown of the MOD housing located in and around Walters Ash used for the accommodation of service personnel and their families, to include no of properties, detached/semi and size by number of bedrooms.*
- 2. The current occupancy levels of that estate.*
- 3. An update on the future plans for that estate including how many properties are planned to be released from the MOD within say 1 year and within 5 years as surplus to requirements, thus enabling their sale to the general public."*

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. The information you have requested for Q1 and Q2 can be found in the table below:

	Detached	Semi-Det	Terrace	Occupied	Vacant
5 Bed	27	0	0	20	7
4 Bed	28	23	17	63	5
3 Bed	55	70	88	177	36
2 Bed	0	22	106	97	31
Totals	110	115	211	357	79

With reference to Q3 of your request, all properties are leased from Annington Property Ltd. Over the last four years the MOD have handed back approximately 90 properties to Annington Property Ltd. The MOD have no plans at present to release any further properties, but I can confirm that we are currently reviewing the future demand levels for Service Family Accommodation (SFA) with Air Command.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that the figures above include SFA in the High Wycombe area, as these SFA are also used to house service families in Air Command HQ.

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 in writing within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely,

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