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[REDACTED]
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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 23 October in which you requested the following information:

1/ The current total number of Army personnel trained to drive heavy goods vehicles

2/ The percentage of that total who are female

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. A search for the information has been completed within the Ministry of Defence and I can confirm that the information in scope of your request is held.

It is not compulsory for individuals to disclose the categories on their driving licence to the Army. Based on the information that is held (excluding Special Forces) there are 25,974 serving Army personnel who are currently hold Category C and above on their licence. 7% of those personnel are female.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance. Following this, 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.

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Yours sincerely,



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