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Dear Manuel,

Thank you for your email of 28 October 2019 requesting the following information:

"Under the Freedom of Information Act, I request the number of vacant MOD properties in Scotland for each calendar year from 2014-2019."

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 information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested can be found in the table below:

Year	Number of vacant Service Family Accommodation in Scotland on or around 1 April
2014	746
2015	990
2016	925
2017	1105
2018	1129
2019	1087

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that we have interpreted your request to mean vacant MOD Service Family Accommodation in Scotland.

If this interpretation is incorrect or 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-

<u>IR@mod.gov.uk</u>). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made in writing 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 <a href="https://ico.org.uk/">https://ico.org.uk/</a>.

Yours sincerely,

**DIO Secretariat**