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Dear

Further to our letter dated 30 January 2019, we are writing to provide a response to your Freedom of Information Act request relating to the Nuclear Research Advisory Council (NRAC):

- "1). The number of employees of the organisation under 16 years of age.
- 2). The number of employees of the organisation between 16 18 years of age.
- 3). The number of employees of the organisation over 18 years of age."

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and we can confirm that no information in scope of your request is held.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that NRAC consists of eight members (of which, three positions are currently vacant) plus the Chairperson. All are over 18 years of age. You may also be interested in the NRAC page on gov.uk, available at https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/nuclear-research-advisory-council/about

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 <u>CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk</u>). 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,

Defence Nuclear Organisation Secretariat