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Dear

Thank you for your email of 26 November, requesting the following information:

"The Nuclear Secretariat, that has apparently risen from the British Nuclear Tests ashes, sports several uniformed officers in its membership. please advise:-

(1) Their Service--Navy Army Air Force

(2) Their ranks linked to their Service"

We are treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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 the Nuclear Secretariat team was set up in 2016 and consists of civilians only.

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