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Dear

Mr

Further to your letter of 6 March 2020 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD), seeking information regarding medal entitlement.

You requested the following information:

"Medal entitlement of 3908775 G J Lloyd, South Wales Borderers."

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

I am writing further to my letter dated 3 April where I advised you that it had not been possible to conduct a search for the information you requested because these historical records are not held in an electronic format within the Ministry of Defence, and the paper records couldn't be accessed because of the restrictions in place due to COVID-19.

I am pleased to advise that the records have now been successfully located and all information in scope of your request is held. I can confirm that the medal entitlement for Mr G J Lloyd is as follows:

- Indian General Service Medal and Clasp North West Frontier
- 1939-1945 Star
- France & Germany Star
- Defence Medal
- War Medal
- Arctic Star

The Arctic Star has not been issued, as the next of kin has not submitted an application. However, there is an entitlement due to the late Mr Lloyd's service in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion South Wales Borderers in Haarstad, Norway.

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

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Yours sincerely,

**Defence Business Services Secretariat**