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Dear

Thank you for your email of 24 February 2020 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD), seeking information about the medal entitlement for Flight Lieutenant Kenneth Edwin Shardlow.

You requested the following information:

“The medal entitlement for the following former officer and when issued 174967 Flight Lieutenant Kenneth Edwin Shardlow born 1920.

Service during the Second World War and post war with RAFVR.

Shardlow died 26/07/1988 in the general hospital Burton on Trent.

Death Cert Attached.”

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 MOD and I can confirm all the information in the scope of your request is held.

The Ministry of Defence Medal Office has conducted an assessment and can confirm that the medal entitlement for Flight Lieutenant Kenneth Edwin Shardlow (174967) is as follows:

- 1939-45 Star
- Africa Star
- Italy Star
- Defence Medal
- War Medal 1939-45

It has not been possible to confirm that all of the above medals have been issued.

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 CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made 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 <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

Defence Business Services Secretariat