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Dear

Thank you for your email of 26 February 2020 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD), seeking the below information:

“So under the Freedom of Information Act, I again request to see the Policy and Guidelines for 2018/19 on Therapeutic Earnings and Unemployability Supplement.”

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 no information in the scope of your request is held. There is no current statement of policy related to Unemployability Supplement or Therapeutic Earnings.

However, under Section 16 (Advice & Assistance) you may find the guidance regarding therapeutic earnings of use. Extracts are attached at Annex A. This has been taken from Volume 2 of the Eligibility and Entitlement Guide as at April 2008. There have been no major changes in consideration of Unemployability Supplement since then. There has, however, been some minor changes to name and terminology, for example Service Personnel and Veterans Agency (SPVA) is now referred to as Veterans UK.

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.

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Yours sincerely

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