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Ministry of Defence

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Dear

Thank you for your email of 4 June 2020 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD) requesting the following information:

- "1. How many people have been judged eligible for IPC4V funding:
- a. for the period from April 2018/2019
- b. for the period from April 2019/2020."

On 7 July 2020 you provided the following clarification:

"We can confirm that the request relates specifically to the MOD funding framework attached to IPC4V."

Additionally, on 7 July 2020 you also requested the following information:

"The current total numbers of personnel who benefit from funding under the IPV4C scheme."

On 23 July 2020 you provided the following clarification:

"Yes the request relates to MOD funding under the IPC4V framework."

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 Ministry of Defence and I can confirm that all the information in scope of your request is held. However, in order to protect personal information governed by Data Protection Legislation, Section 40(2) of the FOIA has been applied to some of the information by supplementing numbers less than 5 with a tilde (~). Section 40 is an absolute exemption and there is therefore no requirement to consider the public interest in making a decision to withhold the information.

The Armed Forces personnel in transition, Integrated Personal Commissioning for Veterans Framework (IPC4V) was launched on 29 March 2019 and as such no information is held for FY2018/19. The information requested is provided in the table below:

Number of individuals judged eligible f framework	
for the period April 2019/20	~

^{*} In line with departmental policy ~ represents 5 or fewer, values have been rounded to the nearest 5

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)