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Mr [REDACTED]

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 14 July 2020 to the Ministry of Defence requesting the following information:

“The Post War medal and clasp entitlement for the following former officer (3512104) DAVID IVOR MAUNSELL HARRIES”

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 that all information in scope of your request is held.

The MOD Medal Office (MODMO) has carried out a full assessment and can confirm that Sqn Ldr D I M Harries qualifies for the following medal:

- General Service Medal (1918) with clasp “Cyprus”

There is no indication that this medal was ever issued. As you have applied on behalf of the family, I suggest you contact them and invite the Next of Kin to submit a medal application form. This can be downloaded from the MODMO website:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/applying-for-medals

Following submission of the form, the medal can then be claimed.

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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