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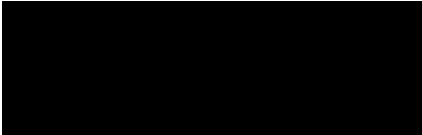
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Mr



16 August 2018

Dear ,



Thank you for your email of 18 July 2018 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD) in which you wish:

*“to ascertain whether ACSM assessments excluded or included the initial Qualifying Periods for the ACSM/ACSM 2011 qualifying campaign medals at certain dates. I do not wish all ACSM/ACSM 2011 assessments to be examined, rather, a single assessment that was undertaken by the MoDMO taken from each of the following weeks:*

- 22-26 Oct 2007*
- 20-24 Oct 2008*
- 19-23 Oct 2009*
- 18-22 Oct 2010*
- 17-21 Oct 2011*
- 21-25 Oct 2013*
- 19-23 Oct 2015*

*These dates are representative and I would accept an ACSM/ACSM 2011 assessment from other weeks close to those given if none were available.”*

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of 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 information in scope of your request is held.

The information requested can be found below:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Medal</b>	<b>Assessment Result (Approved/Rejected)</b>	<b>Initial Qualifying Time (excluded)</b>
22-26 Oct 2007	ACSM	Approved	Time Included
20-24 Oct 2008	ACSM	Rejected	Time Included
19-23 Oct 2009	ACSM	Rejected	Time Included
18-22 Oct 2010	ACSM	Rejected	Time Included

17-21 Oct 2011	ACSM 11	Approved	Time Included
21-25 Oct 2013	ACSM	Rejected	Time Included
19-23 Oct 2015	ACSM	Rejected	Time Excluded

Although the table shows the outcome of each assessment and whether the qualifying time for campaign service was included in the assessment, it should be noted that the result of those assessments may have been for reasons other than the inclusion or exclusion of time towards each campaign medal. 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,

DBS Secretariat Team