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Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your e-mail of 13 February, requesting the following details:

- 1. How many times since 2012 has Article 189 of the Army The Promotions and Pensions Warrant 2009 been used to retire a Brigadier who has not reached the age of retirement for his corps?
- 2. Of those retired early, what is the cap badge breakdown?
- 3. Has the operation of Article 189 ever been suspended? Specifically was this suspended during the Army redundancy programme (Sep 2011 Tranche 1 to June 2014 Tranche 4)?
- 4. How many Brigadiers were made redundant during the Army redundancy programme (Sep 2011 Tranche 1 to June 2014 Tranche 4)? How may Brigadiers for whom no further employment could be foreseen were retired in accordance with Article 189 during that time?

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). The information is shown at Annex A.

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Yours sincerely

**Civil Secretary** 

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Yes, during the Redundancy period on the dates mentioned above

4. a. How many Brigadiers were made redundant during the Army redundancy programme (Sep 2011 Tranche 1 to June 2014 Tranche 4)?

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b. How may Brigadiers for whom no further employment could be foreseen were retired in accordance with Article 189 during that time?

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