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Mr.

Dear Mr 10 November 2020

Thank you for your email of 13 October 2020 requesting the following information:

"The Rates of War Pensions and Allowances for the following years:-

2010 - 2011

2011 - 2012

2012 - 2013

2013 – 2014

2014 - 2015

2015 - 2016

- □ 2016 2017
- □ 2017 2018
- □ 2018 2019
- \Box 2019 2020
- □ 2020 − 2021

Specifically covering the following 3 subject matters:

- War Disablement Pension Other ranks all % and weekly rates GBP £
- Gratuities All ranks 5 and amounts GBP £
- Allowances and supplements for disablement pensioners -Age Allowance from 65
 all % and weekly rates other ranks weekly GBP£

These would be from the Leaflet-9 publications That are issued annually and Produced by Service Personnel and Veterans Agency / Veterans-UK.

These could be – copies of the publications themselves, Typed amounts, pdf files of each publication or the Internet URLs of each Leaflet-9."

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 (MOD), and I can confirm that allinformation in scope of your request is held.

However, your request falls under section 21 (Information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means) of the FOIA. Section 21 provides an absolute exemption. This means that if the requested information is held by the public authority, and it is reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means, it is not subject to the public interest test.

Under Section 16 of the FOIA (advice and assistance), the information you have requested can be found at the following links:

2010 - 2011

https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200910/cmhansrd/cm100224/wmstext/100224m0002.htm#10022461000298

2011 - 2012

https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201011/cmhansrd/cm101209/wmstext/101209m00 01.htm#10120948001601

2012 - 2013

https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201011/cmhansrd/cm111215/wmstext/111215m00 01.htm#11121579000473

2013 - 2014

https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201213/cmhansrd/cm130129/wmstext/130129m00 01.htm#13012941000210

2014 - 2015

https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201314/cmhansrd/cm131212/wmstext/131212m00 01.htm#131212m0001.htm_spmin2

2015 - 2016

https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201415/cmhansrd/cm150114/wmstext/150114m00 01.htm#150114m0001.htm spmin1

2016 - 2017

https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-statements/detail/2015-12-09/HCWS372

2017 - 2018

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/2016-war-pensions-and-allowance-rates

2018 - 2019

https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-statements/detail/2018-01-15/HCWS402

2019 - 2020

https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-statements/detail/2019-01-24/HCWS1275

2020-2021 https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-statements/detail/2020-01-30/HCWS79

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.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at https://ico.org.uk/.

Yours sincerely,

Defence Business Services Secretariat