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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 8 January 2021 requesting the following information:

"I am writing in regards to my FOI request sent on 15 Dec 2020, for which I did not receive a case number or acknowledgement of receipt. I am therefore resending my FOI request.

I would like to know please:

- 1. The date the role of PA to Brigade Commander at 38 Irish Brigade, Thiepval Barracks, Lisburn, Northern Ireland became vacant and was then filled and no longer vacant. "*

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 all of the information in scope of your request is held.

The role of PA to Brigade Commander at 38 Irish Brigade, Thiepval Barracks, Lisburn became vacant on 1 February 2020 and currently remains vacant.

Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance) of the FOIA, you may wish to be aware that all posts within 38 (Irish) Brigade and NI Garrison (38X) are part of a change programme, namely, the Brigade Output and Resources Review and, following consultation with the Trade Union, may be subject to change or removal from the establishment.

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,