



Ministry of Defence

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Dear [REDACTED] Thank you for your email of 11 February 2021 requesting the following information:

- 1) Since 1st January 2020, how many jobs advertised by the department listed knowledge of the devolved nations as a 'desirable' skill?*
- 2) Since 1st January 2020, how many jobs advertised by the department listed knowledge of the devolved nations as an 'essential' skill?*

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, and I can confirm that no information in scope of your request is held.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note; Civil Service Jobs (CS Jobs) is administered by the Government Recruitment Services (GRS) which falls under the responsibility of the Cabinet Office. You may wish to approach them directly and enquire if they hold information in scope of your request.

The Government Recruitment Service can be contacted through the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/government-recruitment-service>

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

Defence Business Services Secretariat