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Dear [REDACTED] Thank you for your email of 20 May 2021 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD) requesting the following information:

"I have been asked to find out for [REDACTED]

- 1. The WW2 medals of the of the officer Sqd Ldr Monypenny.*
- 2. Date when issued."*

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

Sqd Ldr Monypenny's medal entitlement is as follows:

- 1939-45 Star
- Air Crew Europe Star
- War Medal 1939-45

The above medals were issued following application by the nominated Next of Kin. Issue was following the war, however, there is no surviving documentation to give the exact date of issue.

Sqd Ldr Monypenny would also qualify for the Bomber Command Clasp. The clasp has not been issued. Should the family wish to apply for this award, they will need to complete an application form which can be found at the following link and return it directly to the MOD Medal Office.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/applying-for-medals>

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)