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## **Defence Business Services**

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Dear

Thank you for your letter of 10 May 2021 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD), seeking medal entitlement and Service details for the late Able Seaman Thomas William Rogerson.

You requested the following information:

## "ABLE SEAMAN THOMAS WILLIAM ROGERSON ROYAL NAVY

I am writing to request under the Freedom Of Information Act (FOIA) the complete medal entitlement, their award and issue dates together with a summary units in which the above named serviceman served"

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 MOD and I can confirm some information in scope of your request is held.

I can confirm that Able Seaman Rogerson was awarded the following Medals:

1939-45 Star Atlantic Star War Medal

These Medals were earned whilst he was aboard HMS Courageous and issued to his Next of Kin on 21 March 1951.

Under Section 16 of the FOIA (Advice and Assistance) I can advise that you can obtain a copy of Able Seaman Rogerson's Service Record for a fee, should you wish to do so at the following link:

https://www.gov.uk/get-copy-military-service-records/apply-for-someone-elses-records
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

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