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Thank you for your email of 20 July 2021 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD), seeking information about the medal entitlement of the late Sergeant (Sgt) Harold Heap.

You requested the following information:

"May I please request under the Freedom of Information Act the complete WW2 medal entitlement, award/issue date and summary of units served in for the following deceased serviceman:

341227 Sergeant Harold Heap, Royal Air Force

Heap was born on the 29th November 1894 and is thus exempt in line with the Act as having been born 127 years ago".

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

I can confirm that the late Sgt Heap was entitled to the General Service Medal 1918 with Clasp "North West Frontier" (1930 India) and the Long Service & Good Conduct Medal.

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 <u>CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk</u>). 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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Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <u>https://ico.org.uk/</u>.

Yours sincerely

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