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Mr [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

17 March 2022

Dear Mr [REDACTED]

Thank you for your emails of 31 December 2021 and 24 February 2022 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD), requesting the following information:

You asked on 31 December 2021:

- “1. Details of the legal cases that determined that paralysis conditions should be equated to comparable amputee conditions and*
- 2. The date that Veterans UK was first aware of these cases”.*

You clarified on 24 February 2022 as follows:

*“To clarify my request, first submitted on 12 August 2021 and resubmitted on 31 December 2021, I am looking for decisions from the Upper Tier Tribunal or Court of Appeal”.*

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 no information in scope of your request is held. This is because when a case is being considered by the Upper Tier Tribunal, it is the decision made by the First Tier Tribunal that is up for determination. As such, this information is not recorded by Veterans UK as it falls outside of their scope.

However, under Section 16 of the FOIA I can confirm that you may be able to obtain some of the requested information from the Tribunal Service. The link below provides details of all decisions by the Tribunal Service.

<https://www.gov.uk/courts-tribunals/upper-tribunal-administrative-appeals-chamber>

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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