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Dear

Thank you for your email of 28 March 2022 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD) requesting the following information:

*"I am trying to establish the World War 2 medal entitlement of an Army officer whose career I am researching:*

***Maj (Hon Lt Col) John Charles FERGUSSON RA (late RFA).*** He was born on 15 August 1895 (ie over 116 years ago) and died on 14 November 1963 (ie more than 25 years ago). His Army number was 8997 and he was mentioned in despatches on 30 December 1941.

*If possible I'd like a copy of his WW2 medal card. I stress that the research I am doing is for my purposes only."*

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 all the information in scope of your request is held.

The medal entitlement for Maj (Hon Lt Col) John Charles FERGUSSON RA (late RFA) is as follows:

- 1914-15 Star
- British War Medal
- Victory Medal
- Indian General Service Medal with clasp Mohmand (Mentioned in Despatches for NWF 1934)
- 1939-45 Star
- Africa Star
- Defence Medal
- War Medal
- Mentioned in Despatches Middle East 1941

Please also find a copy of the CS20 medal card enclosed at Annex A.

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](mailto: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,

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