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Thank you for your e-mail of 27 October 2022 requesting the following information:

I would like just two numbers; (1) how many left the RAF in the last two years? and (2) how many settled outside the UK?

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, and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested for the number of individuals that left the Royal Air Force in the last two years falls entirely under Section 21 (information accessible to applicant by other means) of the FOIA. This information is published in the Defence Quarterly Statistics and can be found at the following link

[Quarterly Service Personnel Statistics: 2022 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)

I can confirm that during the past two years 40 individuals had a permanent home address outside of the UK on leaving the Royal Air Force. In accordance with the Data Protection Act and our obligations in relation to the protection of confidentiality when handling personal data, data has been rounded to the nearest 10.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you are not satisfied with this response or wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance at the address above. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for 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.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40

working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>

Yours sincerely

[Original signed]

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