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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 15 June 2022 in which you requested the following information:

“I wish to request confirmation of [individual’s details provided] eligibility for the Platinum Jubilee medal. Was [named individual] awarded the medal?”

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. I am writing to advise you that in accordance with Section 40 (5) the Department neither confirms nor denies whether it holds any information in scope of your request. This is because of our duty to protect individuals’ personal data. Section 40 is an absolute exemption and there is no need to consider the public interest. You should not infer from this reply that we either do, or do not, hold the information requested.

Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance) of the Freedom of Information Act, you may find it useful that you can find the requirements for the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Medal online below:

Link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/platinum-jubilee-medal-revealed>

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