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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 27 June 2023 requesting the following information:

**'What appointment does Rear Admiral Ivan Finn hold as of 9 May 2023??**  
<https://www.thegazette.co.uk/London/issue/64098/supplement/12658>

**Who has succeeded him as Head Helicopters 1, Defence Equipment and Support??**

Your request has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

A search for the information has been carried out by the Ministry of Defence (MOD), and we can confirm that all the information in scope of your request is held.

Rear Admiral Ivan Finn now holds the appointment of Acquisition Director for the Royal Navy and is succeeded by Captain Steve Jose as Head Helicopters 1 within Defence Equipment & Support.

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). 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,

DE&S Secretariat

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