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14 August 2023

Dear _____

Thank you for your correspondence of 25 July 2023 requesting the following information:

Please provide the number of Cadet Forces Adult Volunteers who left the organisation over the previous twelve months and the number giving the Commandant (including his leadership) as a reason for departure. There is a public interest in understanding if the Commandant is maintaining the confidence of his organisation and if quiddling is really in the past.

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 some information in scope of your request is held.

Between 1 June 2022 and 8 August 2023 1129 Cadet Force Adult Volunteers have left the Royal Air Force Air Cadets. None have cited the Commandant as the reason for leaving, therefore, there is no information held in relation to this part of your request.

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. 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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