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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your correspondence on 20 June 2023 requesting the following information:

Please could you provide the number of pilots (including RPAS) who have retraded from a different role within the RAF? This is as opposed to direct entrant pilots.

Please could this be shown for the last 5 years, and split out by the pilots previous role.

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.

Please see Annex A, Table 1: Non Direct Entrant Regular Pilot Intake from other areas within Trained RAF Regulars. This excludes those in the RAF Reserves.

Please note, due to the small populations generated by the level of data in the table, the figures have been rounded to protect personal information as governed by the Data Protection Act 2018, under Section 40(2) (third party personal data) of the FOI Act. Figures are rounded to the nearest 10 and therefore totals may not always equal the sum of the parts. When rounding to the nearest 10, numbers ending in 5 have been rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to prevent systematic bias. 5 or fewer is represented by '~' unless the number is 0.

Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance), please note that the Trade Groups are made up of various Specialisations which themselves sit under broad Professions. Please see below which Profession each Trade Group sits under as of March 2023:

Trade Group 1 and Trade Group 5 sit under the Engineering Profession.

Trade Group 4 sits under the Cyberspace Profession.

Trade Group 6 and Trade Group 18 sit under the Logistics Profession.

Trade Group 7 sits under the Air and Space Operations Profession.

Trade Group 8 sits under the Security & Resilience Operations Profession.

Trade Group 11 sits under the Intelligence Profession.

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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Enc: Annex A, Table 1: Non Direct Entrant Regular Pilot Intake from other areas within Trained RAF Regulars

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Table 1: Non Direct Entrant Regular Pilot Intake from other areas within Trained RAF Regulars

	Financial				
	Year (FY)	FY	FY	FY	FY
	2018/2019	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023
Remusterees (Existing RAF Officers who transferred)	~	~	~	~	~
Air & Space Operations	0	~	~	~	~
Cyberspace	0	0	~	0	0
Intelligence	0	~	0	0	0
Medical Services	0	0	0	~	0
Security & Resilience Operations	~	0	~	0	0
Enlisted Aviators who commissioned to Officer	10	10	10	~	0
Non-Commissioned Aircrew	~	0	~	~	0
Trade Group (TG) 1	~	~	~	~	0
TG4	~	~	0	0	0
TG5	~	0	0	0	0
TG6	~	0	0	0	0
TG7	~	~	~	0	0
TG8	~	0	~	0	0
TG11	0	~	0	0	0
TG18	0	0	~	0	0
Total	10	10	10	10	~

Please see the note in FOI2023/07649 response letter in regard to the rounding of these figures