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Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

## Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence of 21 September 2022 in which you requested the following information:

"Under the Freedom of Information Act can you please provide me with the below information within 20 working days.

Of the 140 individuals that tested positive on a CDT in 2021 and 129 individuals that tested positive on a CDT in 2022 from the Royal Navy , how many are currently still serving?"

Your enquiries have been considered to be requests for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

A search for the information has been completed within the Ministry of Defence and I can confirm information in scope of your request is held.

In response to your request, I can advise of the 140 individuals that provided a positive Compulsory Drugs Test (CDT) result in 2021, 126 were discharged Services No Longer Required. Of the 129 individuals that have provided a positive CDT result in 2022, up to 12 September 2022, 97 have been discharged Services No Longer Required, and 18 cases remain ongoing.

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

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Yours sincerely

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