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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your correspondence of 14 September 2023 requesting the following information:

I would like to request a copy of the weekly breakdown of Phase 2 EO Communications Electronics, training at RAF Cosford please. Additionally, I would like to request the training syllabus for Phase 2 EO Aerosystems, if possible.

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.

The weekly breakdown of the Phase 2 course for Engineer Officers (Communications Electronics) Course Reference: CN4800 is attached at Annex A.

A glossary of key terms used in the course timetable is attached at Annex B.

I can advise that some of the information at Annex A falls entirely within the scope of the exemption provided for at Sections 40 (Personal Data) of the FOIA and has been redacted. Section 40(2) has been applied to some of the information in order to protect personal information as governed by the Data Protection Act 2018. Section 40(2) requires the Department to conduct a balancing exercise, this exercise involves balancing the rights and interests of individuals against the legitimate interests in disclosure, this is not the same as carrying out the public interest test associated with certain exemptions in FOIA. The balancing exercise is carried out in order to decide whether the exemption in Section 40(2) is engaged. In particular, there is no assumption of disclosure in the legitimate interests test, as there is with qualified exemptions. The outcome of the balancing exercise lay in withholding the third-party personal data identified in the attached information.

For part 2 of the request, please find below a list of module titles for the AeroSystems Specialist Engineer Training:

Arrivals/Clearances, Quality, Change Management, Reporting Systems, Station Visits, Deployment Planning, Understanding Your Personnel, Scenarios/Assessments, Course Officer Engagement Periods, Airworthiness, Aircraft Systems, Armament Systems, Industry, Maintenance Processes, Miscellaneous Requirements

Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance), you may find it helpful to know that the weekly breakdown of AeroSystems Specialist Engineer Training is available at the below link:

[Weekly Breakdown of Phase 2 Engineering Officer Aerosystems Training - a Freedom of Information request to Royal Air Force - WhatDoTheyKnow](#)

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 - CN4800 timetable

Enc: Annex B - Glossary

Annex B – FOI2023/11309 – Glossary

TMF	Training Management Flight
P1, P2... etc.	Period 1, Period 2... etc.
ETT	Engineering Technical Training
VLE	Virtual Learning Environment
CIS	Communication and Information Systems
Tx and Rx	Transmit and Receive
IET	Institution of Engineering and Technology
BCS	British Computer Society
PT	Physical Training
AT	Adventure Training
A6 FHQ	A6 Force HQ
RF Power Generation	Radio Frequency Power Generation
HF	High Frequency
V/UHF	Very/Ultra High Frequency
Tx and Rx	Transmit and Receive
BLoS	Beyond Line-of-sight
JFAC	Joint Force Air Component
mmwave	Milli-Meter Wave
CAMO	Continuing Airworthiness Management Organisation
BVP Padre	Beliefs and Values Programme led by the Padre
MOB CIS Ops	Main Operating Base Communication and Information Systems Operations
DOB CIS Ops	Deployed Operating Base Communication and Information Systems Operations
ISR	Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance
SCIDA	Site Co-Ordination and Installation Design Authority
IFF	Identification Friend or Foe
NOC Operations	Network Operating Centre Operations
SFR	Security Functional Requirements
NFR	Non-functional requirement
PJHQ	Permanent Joint HQ
IFA	Information Flow Analysis
IER	Information Exchange Requirement
Eng Orgs	Engineering Organisations
MWP	Main Work Package
91 SU	91 Signals Unit
RMADS	Risk Management & Accreditation Document Set
Manage Projects Cse	Manage Projects Course
IAM	Information Asset Management
FCE Plug up	Final Consolidation Exercise
ITIL	Information Technology Infrastructure Library
DOLS	Defence Organisational Learning Strategy
PXR	Post Exercise Report
DLIMs	Defence Lessons Identified Management System
VM Security	Virtual Machine Security
C4i	Command, Control, Computers, Communications and Information