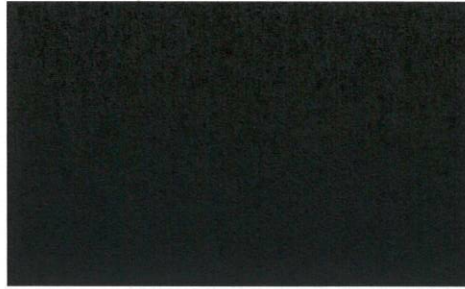




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Dear ,

Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence of 3 March 2020 in which you requested the following information:

'Can you tell me how many individuals that identify as female/women have:

- applied/registered their interest through the Royal Navy website for the role of Royal Marine Commando?
- had their application processed or are still in the application process by/through Capita for the role of Royal Marine Commando?
- passed PRMC and POC?
- entered Royal Marine Commando Recruit Training?'

Your enquiry has been considered to be a request 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 that information in scope of your request is held and can be found detailed within Annex A to this letter.

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.uk](mailto:FOI-IR@mod.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

Navy Command Secretariat – FOI Section

**Response to Q1**

Female Expressions of Interest to the Royal Marines by Calendar Year

	2018	2019	Jan-Feb 2020
Total	1150	1380	210
Royal Marine Officer	150	120	20
Royal Marine Commando	710	1070	170
Royal Marine Band Service	290	180	20

1. Figures have been rounded to the nearest 10 in line with disclosure control policy. Figures ending in 5 are rounded to the nearest 20 to avoid bias.
2. Note: EOI are sourced from multiple channels, a majority through social media, so no measure of genuine intent can be assumed from the figures below as opposed to a 'walk in' to a Careers Office.

**Response to Q2**

Females who have had their application processed or are still in the application process by/through Capita for the role of Royal Marine Commando

	Royal Marine Other Rank (RMOR)	Potential Officer
Number of ongoing applications being processed	10	10

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**Response to Q3 and Q4**

RMOR who passed Potential Royal Marine Course	~
RMOR who failed Potential Royal Marine Course	~
RMOR programmed to complete Potential Royal Marine Course	~
Potential Officers Course	-
RMOR Entry to RM Commando Recruit Training	~

1. Figures have been rounded to the nearest 10 in line with disclosure control policy. Figures ending in 5 are rounded to the nearest 20 to avoid bias, 5 or fewer is represented by '~', 0 is represented by '-'.  
 2. Figures are comprised of applications to Royal Marine Officer and Royal Marine Commando, it does not include applicants to the Royal Marine Band Service.

