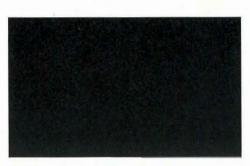


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Dear Base

Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence of 3 January 2021 in which you requested the following information:

'Please could you provide an up to date response to this previous request:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attach ment\_data/file/855568/Response\_-\_10396.pdf

Bed bug figures reported on Royal Navy vessels from 3 January 2021, Including the previous three years.'

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 now been completed within the Ministry of Defence and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held. Further to our previous response to FOI2019/10396, the number of reported incidents of suspected bed bugs on board Royal Navy ships for the period June 2019 to present day are as follows:

Date	Ship	Action	Result
August 2020	HMS DUNCAN	Advice Given	Not Confirmed

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 <u>CIO-</u>

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

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