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Dear ,

Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence of 7 January 2021 in which you requested the following information:

- On display at the British Club Bangkok is the ship badge of an HMS Bulwark, presented to the Club on an officers' visit
- Given the badge is 50+ years old or so I assume it is HMS Bulwark (R08)
- However I can find no record or internet reference of HMS Bulwark (R08) having visited Bangkok
- Can the MOD provide me with the dates of any visit for insertion in our Timeline which I am researching'

Your enquiry has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

A search for the information has been completed within the Ministry of Defence and from the recorded information currently accessible to us, I can confirm that HMS BULWARK was operational off Thailand in 1967 and engaging with the Thai Marine Corps.

Under section 16 (Advice and Assistance) of the FOI Act, you may find it useful to know that port visits and engagement by the Royal Navy during the 1960s were usually focussed on Bangkok or Sattahip (about 110 miles south of Bangkok).

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Yours sincerely

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