THE 20 YEAR RULE: MONITORING AND REPORTING MOD Information Management Report – 2023 Explanatory Text

The MOD is committed to meeting the 30:20-year transition timetable and adherence to each transition year will take precedence over the review of legacy period records. The review of 2002/03 records is now complete. MOD continues to work with The National Archives (TNA) to ensure that records are delivered to TNA in a timely and consistent manner.

The MOD continues to reduce the volume of previously identified records in the legacy period. The history, scale and complexity of the MOD means that records may continue to be found from the legacy period, and these will be reported when identified. MOD now reports the number of historic service personnel records for which it no longer has any business need. A transfer plan for these has been agreed with TNA and transfers have begun.

This Information Management Report includes figures from the Defence Geographic Centre but excludes reporting from AWE and UK Hydrographic Office who submit their own reports