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Dear |

Thank you for your email of 30 July 2024 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD) requesting the following information:

"With reference to the above Act, could I please request the war/military service medal entitlement of the following individual (including any foreign awards that were recorded), and if possible the dates that the various medals were issued? Also a copy of his WW2 medal card, if held?

Eric John Wallis – Enlisted into the King's Royal Rifle Corps as a Rifleman on 20 March 1939 (service number: 6896918) and was then Commissioned into the King's Royal Rifle Corps on 2 November 1940 (his officer number was: 156708). He relinquished his commission on 30 June 1956.

His date of birth was 2 May 1911 and he died 10 August 1983 (scan of death certificate attached)".

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 within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that some information is held in scope of your request and provided below:

Major Wallis qualified for the following World War Two Campaign Medals:

1939/45 Star Africa Star France & Germany Star Defence Medal War Medal 1939-45

According to our records, these awards have not been issued. The Medal Index Card has been requested from the MOD Archives and will be forwarded to you when it is received. It is expected to arrive by 20 September and will be sent to you via email. to

If you wish to complain about this response, please contact this office in the first instance.

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Yours sincerely,

DBS Secretariat Team