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12 January 2021

Dear Mr Zacchi,

### Release of Information

As previously advised by the Ministry of Defence, reference FOI2020/13258 dated 10 December 2020, your requests on the subject of organisational structures and locations have been aggregated and the exemption at Section 12(4) (cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit) of the Freedom of Information Act (the Act) has been applied. It is understood that you have since contacted the Information Rights team and requested an independent internal review of this decision.

Navy Command has received three requests from you on the subject of 'organisations and locations' in the last 60 working days. The Ministry of Defence has also received 75 similar requests which we suspect to have come from individuals working in concert with each other and yourself. Due to the large number of requests received, a list is attached at Annex A.

Under the Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations, public authorities are able to aggregate two or more requests where they relate to any extent, to the same or similar information provided certain conditions are met. These are where requests:

- Are made by one person, or by different persons who appear to the public authority to be acting in concert or in pursuance of a campaign.
- Are received within any period of 60 consecutive working days.

Under Section 12(4) of the Act, provided these conditions are met, the Department is permitted to regard the estimated cost of complying with any of the requests to be the estimated total cost of complying with all of them for the purpose of considering whether complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

We are therefore applying exemption at Section 12(4) to these requests for information about organisational structures and locations as they were all received within a period of less than 60 consecutive working days.

It has been estimated that the cost of complying with these requests aggregated under the Fees Regulations as explained above would exceed the appropriate limit and therefore under the terms of Section 12 of the Act, we are not obliged to comply. The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and for central government this is set at £600. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending three and a half working days in determining whether the Department holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting it.

The MOD may be able to provide information requested if you reduce or refine your request to bring the cost of compliance under the limit however, I must advise that any future requests on the same subject could also be aggregated under Section 12(4) if they are received within 60 working days.

Should this situation change, we will contact you accordingly.

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.gov.uk](mailto:CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk)). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely

Navy Command Secretariat – FOI Section

**ANNEX A**

**to**

**FOI2020/13724/13725/13726**

**dated 12 January 2021**

**Collation of Freedom of Information Requests on the Subject of Organisations and Locations of the Ministry of Defence:**

On 13 October 2020 under FOI2020/11417, the following was requested:

'With reference to FO2020/07654, who has succeeded Air Commodore (now Air Vice Marshal) A P T Smith as Head [of] Carrier Enabled Power Projection (CEPP) after August 2020 or is the position still gapped?'

On 15 October 2020 under FOI2020/11520, the following was requested:

'Can I ask who has succeeded Rear-Admiral Paul Methven as Director Submarines Acquisition after September 2020?'

On 16 October 2020 under FOI2020/11635, the following was requested:

'1) Who is Director Finance under Defence Digital and what are the appointments and their names reporting to Director Finance?'

2) What are the appointments reporting to Director Military Digitalisation and their names?'

3) What are the appointments reporting to Director Digital Enablement and their names ?'

4) What are the appointments reporting to Director Defensive Cyber and Risk and their names ?'

Under Executive Director Defence Digital Service Delivery & Operations,

5) What are the appointments reporting to Director Operations and their names ?'

7) What are the appointments reporting to Director Service Delivery Intelligence and Expeditionary Service and their names ?'

8) What are the appointments reporting to Director Delivery Core Information Services and their names ?'

9) What are the appointments and their names reporting to Director Commercial?'

On 20 October 2020 under FOI2020/11702, the following was requested:

'A MOD Press release mentions that Major-General David Eastman, Commander Regional Command is also 'Commander Standing Joint Command (UK) ' see <https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fnews%2Fraf-completes-covid-support-task-at-kinloss&data=04%7C01%7Cciofoi%40mod.gov.uk%7Ca335134eee4e400cc1e508d87>

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1) Is this correct as previously mentioned, Commander Home Command was mentioned as 'Standing Joint Commander (UK)' in a Medium MOD post see <https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fmedium.com%2F%40DefenceHQ%2Fheadquarters-standing-joint-command-hq-sjc-coordinating-the-military-contribution-to-the-uks-99b447414235&data=04%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7Ca335134eee4e400cc1e508d87506fb84%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C1%7C637388020150556735%7CUnknown%7CTWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C2000&amp;sdata=oZzMRA0WrnstJcd2Un5Mcl5ySqJJPfIREDZFUkv9%2Ftl%3D&amp;reserved=0>

2) What date did Commander Home Command transfer the role of Commander Standing Joint Command (UK) to Commander Regional Command?

Brigadier Leigh Tingey was mentioned to be appointed in a role under the Field Army see [https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.army.mil%2Farticle%2F237640%2F1st\\_armored\\_division\\_bids\\_farewell\\_to\\_british\\_deputy\\_commanding\\_general&data=04%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7Ca335134eee4e400cc1e508d87506fb84%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C1%7C637388020150556735%7CUnknown%7CTWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C2000&amp;sdata=srBY25ZlcMY14QzBGHANW4fxCxpZPp1ucTAvfMf7%2BGA%3D&amp;reserved=0](https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.army.mil%2Farticle%2F237640%2F1st_armored_division_bids_farewell_to_british_deputy_commanding_general&data=04%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7Ca335134eee4e400cc1e508d87506fb84%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C1%7C637388020150556735%7CUnknown%7CTWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C2000&amp;sdata=srBY25ZlcMY14QzBGHANW4fxCxpZPp1ucTAvfMf7%2BGA%3D&amp;reserved=0) but his LinkedIn account states he is 'Chief of Staff, Standing Joint Command'

3) What appointment does Brigadier Alexander Potts, previous Chief of Staff Regional Command and Standing Joint Command UK now hold?

On 21 October 2020 under FOI2020/11779, the following was requested:

'Could you provide the numbers of female OR-8s and OR-9 British Armed Forces personnel as of September 2020 or the earlier date you have the data?

By OR-8 I mean Warrant Officer 2 (British Army), by OR-9 I mean Warrant Officer 1 (Royal Navy), Warrant Officer 1 (British Army) and Warrant Officer and Master Aircrew (Royal Air Force). I wish to include both active and reservist including Full time Reserve Service female personnel. I wish to dis-include transgender female numbers and any honorary OR-8s and OR-9s.'

On 23 October 2020 under FOI2020/11854, the following was requested:

'Who has succeeded Air Commodore R C Maddison as Deputy Commander NATO Air Command Afghanistan, Headquarters OP Resolute Support after August 2020 or has this passed to a NATO officer?'

On 23 October 2020 under FOI2020/11899, the following was requested:

'Could you state if there were any Royal Navy or Royal Marines units or personnel sent to participate or observe in the US-led RIMPAC 2020 exercise, if so, can you provide the numbers of personnel and name of units sent?'

On 27 October 2020, under FOI2020/11947, the following was requested:

'Is Brigadier Graham W. Fletcher still Chief Operating Officer Defence Digital formerly Chief Operating Officer Information Systems and Services ? If not who is the COO and what appointment does Brigadier Fletcher hold?'

On 27 October 2020, under FOI2020/11949, the following was requested:

'Can I ask what are the present appointments of the following British Army Major-Generals:

Major-General Felix Gedney

Major-General Andrew Harrison, former Deputy Advisor, Ministry of the Interior, Afghanistan, after May 2020

Major-General Stephen McMahon, former Assistant Chief of Defence Staff (Defence Engagement), after August 2020

Major-General Stephen Potter, former Director Reserves Army Headquarters'

On 27 October 2020, under FOI2020/11958, the following was requested:

'Could I ask what are the current appointments of the following senior RAF officers:

1) Air Vice-Marshal Simon Rochelle, former Chief of Staff Capability, after April 2020

2) Air Vice-Marshal Warren James, former AOC 22 Group, after August 2020

3) Air Commodore Alistair J. Seymour

4) Air Commodore Dean R. Andrew

5) Air Commodore Suzanne N. Perkins former Chief of Staff - British Forces Cyprus

6) Air Commodore James E. Linter former Air Attache Washington, after September 2020'

On 27 October 2020, under FOI2020/11966, the following was requested:

'Could I ask what are the current appointments of the following senior Royal Navy officers:

1) Commodore Henry Duffy, former Defence Attache, Oman

2) Surgeon Commodore Stuart Millar former Head Medical Operational Capability

With regards to the Navy Directory 2019,

3) What exact appointment does Brigadier James Maybery hold at Navy Command HQ?

What present appointment does Brigadier Simon Scott hold; is he still at HQ COMBRITFOR, Afghanistan?'

On 29 October 2020, under FOI2020/12052, the following was requested:

'Hello, as far as I'm aware after Army 2020 there are 4 Army Training Units (ATUs), ATU North based in Strensall (detachment in Altcar, former NW ATU), ATU Northern Ireland in Ballykinler, ATU Scotland in Edinburgh, and ATU West in Exeter with a Wales detachment in Cardiff.

So, my questions is;

- 1) Can you advise of these ATUs still exist or have been disbanded.
- 2) What are the roles of ATUs and which command/units are they placed under themselves
- 3) Have any changes occurred since Army 2020 in relation to the ATUs'

On 29 October 2020, under FOI2020/12053, the following was requested:

'Could you advise (for all services or MoD services) the units/commands (or links where I could find this information) for the current overseas postings:

- 1) British Forces Gibraltar
- 2) British Forces South Atlantic Islands
- 3) British Forces Cyprus
- 4) British Forces Belize
- 5) British Forces Brunei
- 6) British Forces British Indian Ocean Territories
- 7) British Army Training Unit Suffield
- 8) British Army Training Unit Kenya
- 9) British Army Training and Support Unit Belize
- 10) Kabul Protection Unit
- 11) NATO Enhanced Forward Presence (if any permanent deployed units)

I understand as per protection, some of this information might be exempt, so in that cause you could re-direct me to where I might be able to find some of this information?'

On 31 October 2020, under FOI2020/12133, the following was requested:

'Could you advise the following (or information is available elsewhere a link would work too):

- 1) The current AECs (Army Education Centres) and their numbers
- 2) Those AECs above, their location and their subordination (if allowed to disclose this information)'

On 2 November 2020, under FOI2020/12100, the following was requested:

'Could you advise or provide a document/link for the current dislocation of RHQs for the British Army's Infantry Branch?'

On 3 November 2020, under FOI2020/12135, the following was requested:

'With regards to 'How Defence Works' page 28, who is the 'Director Development' or 'Director Develop' as stated in the chart? Please state rank and name - full name if possible'

On 3 November 2020, under FOI2020/12141, the following was requested:

'Hello, as far as I'm aware after Army 2020 there are 4 Army Training Units (ATUs), ATU North based in Strensall (detachment in Altcar, former NW ATU), ATU Northern Ireland in Ballykinler, ATU Scotland in Edinburgh, and ATU West in Exeter with a Wales detachment in Cardiff.

So, my questions is;

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- 3) Have any changes occurred since Army 2020 in relation to the ATUs'

On 3 November 2020, under FOI2020/12143, the following was requested:

'Could you advise or provide a document/link for the current dislocation of RHQs for the British Army's Infantry Branch?'

On 3 November 2020, under FOI2020/12147, the following was requested:

'Could you advise (for all services or MoD services) the units/commands (or links where I could find this information) for the current overseas postings:

- 1) British Forces Gibraltar
- 2) British Forces South Atlantic Islands
- 3) British Forces Cyprus
- 4) British Forces Belize
- 5) British Forces Brunei
- 6) British Forces British Indian Ocean Territories
- 7) British Army Training Unit Suffield
- 8) British Army Training Unit Kenya
- 9) British Army Training and Support Unit Belize
- 10) Kabul Protection Unit
- 11) NATO Enhanced Forward Presence (if any permanent deployed units)

I understand as per protection, some of this information might be exempt, so in that cause you could re-direct me to where I might be able to find some of this information?'

On 5 November 2020, under FOI2020/12238, the following was requested:

'What appointment does Commodore Christopher Cook - promoted 2/11/20  
<https://www.thegazette.co.uk/London/issue/63164/supplement/18602> - hold?'

On 6 November 2020, under FOI2020/12286, the following was requested:

'Clarification:

I can advise by "numbers" I mean like 43 AEC or 41 AEC, etc. And by "subordination", yes I'm referring to their higher organisation.

Original:

Could you advise the following (or information is available elsewhere a link would work too):

- 1) The current AECs (Army Education Centres) and their numbers
- 2) Those AECs above, their location and their subordination (if allowed to disclose this information)'

On 12 November 2020, under FOI2020/12443, the following was requested:

'What exact title does Air Vice-Marshal Alastair Reid hold at Defence Medical Services? Is it Defence Medical Director as per

<https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.raf.mod.uk%2Four-organisation%2Fsenior-appointments%2F&data=04%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7Cf3b7c49e3ea24fc9fe8a08d886f76403%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C1%7C637407744375514448%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C2000&data=j%2FYQTrla%2FOGkAK96iR%2BOYa%2B%2FNmrbULOC6Jiu%2BzLDOAM%3D&reserved=0> or is it Surgeon General of the Defence Medical Services as per [https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ftwitter.com%2FDMS\\_SurgGen%2Fwith\\_replies&data=04%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7Cf3b7c49e3ea24fc9fe8a08d886f76403%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C1%7C637407744375514448%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C2000&data=3xCpN583H3AX%2Bd9HME6CnZYi%2BmnbP6jvw%2BWWZiQZNM%3D&reserved=0](https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ftwitter.com%2FDMS_SurgGen%2Fwith_replies&data=04%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7Cf3b7c49e3ea24fc9fe8a08d886f76403%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C1%7C637407744375514448%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C2000&data=3xCpN583H3AX%2Bd9HME6CnZYi%2BmnbP6jvw%2BWWZiQZNM%3D&reserved=0) ? If he is Surgeon General, is he Surgeon General of the Defence Medical Services or Surgeon General of the Armed Forces?'

On 12 November 2020, under FOI2020/12444, the following was requested:

'Does the appointment Director Medical Capability (Army) or Director of Medical Capability (Army) still exist? If so, who is the current appointment holder - please state rank and full name if possible'

On 16 November 2020, under FOI2020/12523, the following was requested:

'Could you advise the status of the new "Strike" ISTAR companies? In a post from 3 RIFLES, an "ISTAR Company" was deploying as part of training for the new Strike concept. Can you confirm this, or expand on what I might be getting confused with something else here. Link to my reference:

<https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.instagram.com%2Fp%2FCHiroPNCjX7%2F&data=04%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7Cd91691d8aaa74f25e26608d889a85366%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C1%7C637410703329725585%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C2000&data=pRAeLrv9oD59XTVVBnPZsfv8q%2FDoAGnQbxODK%2FMuvkY%3D&reserved=0>

On 16 November 2020, under FOI2020/12534, the following was requested:

'Can you advise if any units have changed/moved since OrBat request in November 2018, provided here:

<https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fquestions-statements.parliament.uk%2Fwritten-questions%2Fdetail%2F2018-11-22%2F194616&data=04%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7C1f383f57f2f644dc387008d888e28121%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C1%7C637409853693348266%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C2000&data=%2FeuDsMEFsO5HzlJpfOQCMkBhDH5BHoUo8iog9AOfMQ%3D&reserved=0>

On 16 November 2020, under FOI2020/12599, the following was requested:



'Could you advise which units (since OP Toral started) have deployed on operations, and what time-frame. I have not been able to find any information on this, but if there are other links available that would be greatfull also!'

On 18 November 2020, under FOI2020/12677, the following was requested:

'Which higher commands do the following commanders report to?

- 1) Commandant General Royal Marines
- 2) Flag Officer Scotland and Northern Ireland
- 3) Flag Officer Reserves - does this post still exist?
- 4) Assistant Chief of the Naval Staff (Capability)
- 5) Assistant Chief of the Naval Staff (Submarines)
- 6) Chief of Staff, Integrated Change Programme
- 7) Medical Director-General (Naval)
- 8) Commander/Commanding Officer Admiralty Interview Board
- 9) Commanding Officer Naval Careers Service
- 10) Commanding Officer Naval Education Service
- 11) Director Naval Nursing Service
- 12) Head of the Naval Nursing Service'

On 19 November 2020, under FOI2020/12713, the following was requested:

'With respect to FOI2020/12238, is Air Commodore David Rowland still at Defence Digital since Commodore Christopher Cook took the appointment of Head Strategy and Planning , which was Air Commodore David Rowland's post?

If he is no longer at Defence Digital, what appointment does Air Commodore David Rowland now hold?'

On 19 November 2020, under FOI2020/12729, the following was requested:

'With respect to FOI 2020/11949, where you stated "Major-General Andrew Harrison...Became Senior British Military Advisor, United States Central Command on 16 Sep 2020."

What appointment does Major-General Simon Humphrey now hold since Major-General Andrew Harrison took his former appointment?'

On 20 November 2020, under FOI2020/12785, the following was requested:

'I am asking if the Royal Navy's Carrier Strike Group and Littoral Strike Group have corresponding Executive Warrant Officers (EWOs) or Senior Enlisted Leaders or the Royal Navy's corresponding term for both groups?

I do not refer to the EWO of the aircraft carriers HMS Queen Elizabeth and HMS Prince of Wales or the EWO of HMS Albion and HMS Bulwark but a senior EWO or corresponding term on the staff of the commanders of both groups.'

On 20 November 2020, under FOI2020/12790, the following was requested:

'With reference to this link, <https://twitter.com/anglicanspb/status/1222238092515561472>

When was Commodore John Freeman promoted to Commodore?

When was he appointed as Defence Attache to Moscow, Russia?

Amended 30/11/2020

I meant Commodore John Foreman, apologies.'

On 23 November 2020, under FOI2020/12847, the following was requested:

'Who has succeeded Commodore Stephen Pearson as Head Defence Maritime Regulator after October 2020? <https://www.linkedin.com/in/steve-pearson-b3a3681a/>

On 23 November 2020, under FOI2020/12853, the following was requested:

'With reference to FOI2019/08527,

Is BDS Eastern Europe 1) Commodore Tim Woods and 2) also British defence attache to Ukraine?'

On 23 November 2020, under FOI2020/12869, the following was requested:

'Who has succeeded Brigadier S. T. Hutchings as Head, Customer Support Team, Defence Infrastructure Organisation?'

On 23 November 2020, under FOI2020/12880, the following was requested:

'With reference to FOI2020/12238 and FOI2020/12713,

If Commodore Christopher Cook is Head, Strategy and Planning, Defence Digital as per FOI2020/12238 and Air Commodore David Rowland is still at Defence Digital as stated in FOI2020/12713,

What appointment does Air Commodore David Rowland now hold at Defence Digital?

Is Commodore Christopher Cook exactly Head, Strategy and Planning?

Please clarify,'

On 24 November 2020, under FOI2020/12894, the following was requested:

'With respect to this news release <https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/news-and-latest-activity/news/2020/november/20/20201120-sentinel-command> ,

Who has replaced Commodore Craig Wood as Commander, Surface Flotilla?

What is Commodore Rob Bellfield's next appointment?'

On 24 November 2020, under FOI2020/12901, the following was requested:

'1) a)Who is the post holder for Head or Deputy Director Operational Law and b) when was he or she appointed to the post?

2) a)Who is the post holder for Head or Deputy Director Legal Advisory and b) when was he or she appointed to the post?'

On 25 November 2020, under FOI2020/12950, the following was requested:

'With respect to the British Forces Posts Office Locations list:

"BF1 6DJ OP CATTALO" is mentioned.

What is OP CATTALO?'

On 26 November 2020, under FOI2020/13032, the following was requested:

'Could you advise or provide a document/link for the currently location of RHQs for the Royal Armoured Corps? (previous request related: Army/Sec/Basing/FOI2020/12143)'

On 26 November 2020, under FOI2020/13033, the following was requested:

'Could you advise or provide a document/link for the currently location of Corps HQs for the British Army (ie: Royal Engineers, RLC, REME)? (previous request related: Army/Sec/Basing/FOI2020/12143)'

On 27 November 2020, under FOI2020/13061, the following was requested:

'With reference to the answer in FOI2020/07654, has the post of Military Advisor or Adviser to the Jordanian Forces been filled?

If so who is the post holder - please state rank and name and date the officer was appointed.'

On 27 November 2020, under FOI2020/13072, the following was requested:

Can I ask what are the ranks of the defence/military attachés or advisers in the following countries as of October 2020, using the NATO OF rank system?

By defence attaches or advisers I mean both the senior defence attaché and the various deputy defence attaches and advisers if possible. If you cannot list the deputies and assistants, the ranks of the senior defence attaché or adviser will suffice.

East Asia:

Burma/Myanmar - Is the defence attaché country-based or non-residential accredited (NRA)?

Cambodia

China

Japan

Laos

Mongolia - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

North Korea/DPRK - Which East Asian capital is the defence attaché located?

The Philippines - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Timor Leste

South Asia:

Afghanistan

Bangladesh

Sri Lanka

Middle East:

Bahrain

Israel

Jordan

Palestinian Territories

Qatar

Syria - Is there a NRA defence attaché?

UAE

Yemen - Is there a NRA defence attaché?

North Africa:

Algeria

Libya - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Morocco

Tunisia - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Africa:

Angola - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Benin

Botswana - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Burundi - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Cameroon

Central African Republic

Chad

Congo - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Djibouti - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Ethiopia

Equatorial Guinea

Eritrea - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Gabon

Guinea - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Guinea-Bissau

Kenya

Lesotho

Liberia - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Madagascar

Malawi - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Mali - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Mauritania - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Mauritius

Mozambique - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Namibia - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Niger

Nigeria

Rwanda - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Sao Tome and Principe

Senegal

Seychelles - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Sierra Leone

Somalia

South Africa

Sudan

South Sudan

Swaziland

Tanzania - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Togo

The Gambia

Uganda

Zambia - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Zimbabwe

Europe:

Austria

Austria (OSCE Mission)

Belarus - What was the OF rank of the defence attaché before he/she was declared persona non grata?

Bosnia & Herzegovina

Bulgaria - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Croatia

Czech Republic

Estonia

Finland

Hungary - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Iceland

Kosovo - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Latvia

Liechtenstein

Malta - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Macedonia

Moldova - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Montenegro - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Romania

Russia

Serbia

Slovenia - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Slovakia - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Switzerland - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Ukraine - Please just state the OF ranks of the deputy and assistant defence attachés

Central Asia:

Armenia - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Azerbaijan - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Georgia

Kazakhstan

Tajikistan - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Uzbekistan

North America:

United States - Please just list the number of and ranks of the assistant defence attachés

UK Mission to the UN Mission in New York

Caribbean:

Jamaica

Central America:

Belize - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Costa Rica

Cuba - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Dominican Republic

El Salvador

Guatemala - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Haiti - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Mexico

Nicaragua

Panama

South America:

Bolivia

Brazil

Chile

Columbia

Ecuador

Guyana - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Paraguay - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Peru - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Suriname

Uruguay - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?

Venezuela - Is the defence attaché country-based or NRA?'

On 27 November 2020, under FOI2020/13087, the following was requested:

'Have the following Royal Signal Squadrons been placed in suspended animation or disbanded and if so, what date were they placed or disbanded?

211 Signal Squadron

212 Signal Squadron (Was it merged together with 201 Signal Squadron?)

214 Signal Squadron

Land Information Assurance Group (LIAG)'

On 30 November 2020, under FOI2020/13154, the following was requested:

'Does the post of Programme Director Defence Support Network formerly held by Air Commodore Andy Curtis still exist? If so who is the post holder?'

On 30 November 2020, under FOI2020/13164, the following was requested:

'Can I further ask which higher commander does Head of Project Strategy report to in Defence Digital?'

On 30 November 2020, under FOI2020/13144, the following was requested:

'How Defence Works version 6.0 states that "Subordinate to CGS are two 3-star commanders and one 2-star commander...Commander Joint Helicopter Command." page 30

[https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fassets.publishing.service.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fuploads%2Fsystem%2Fuploads%2Fattachment\\_data%2Ffile%2F920219%2F20200922-](https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fassets.publishing.service.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fuploads%2Fsystem%2Fuploads%2Fattachment_data%2Ffile%2F920219%2F20200922-How_Defence_Works_V6.0_Sep_2020.pdf&data=04%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7C32d66be5e8d64247da9d08d89504b0d6%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C1%7C637423194685574097%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IjEhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C1000&data=tjdMw0Ddo03bbKpglNP1h4geSLsGc9iMFiHbJ9sOFd8%3D&reserved=0)

[How\\_Defence\\_Works\\_V6.0\\_Sep\\_2020.pdf&data=04%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7C32d66be5e8d64247da9d08d89504b0d6%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C1%7C637423194685574097%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IjEhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C1000&data=tjdMw0Ddo03bbKpglNP1h4geSLsGc9iMFiHbJ9sOFd8%3D&reserved=0](https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fassets.publishing.service.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fuploads%2Fsystem%2Fuploads%2Fattachment_data%2Ffile%2F872147%2FArmy_Mar_19_senior_data.csv%2Fpreview&data=04%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7C32d66be5e8d64247da9d08d89504b0d6%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C1%7C637423194685584051%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IjEhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C1000&data=NkjHB845qtlR9q0Y1hmQRtIRt%2BCvv15HwpCw0wUwHb8%3D&reserved=0)

However MOD roles and salaries 2019 states that Commander Field Army has "operational control of the Joint Helicopter Command."

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[foi%40mod.gov.uk%7C32d66be5e8d64247da9d08d89504b0d6%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C1%7C637423194685584051%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IjEhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C1000&data=NkjHB845qtlR9q0Y1hmQRtIRt%2BCvv15HwpCw0wUwHb8%3D&reserved=0](https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fassets.publishing.service.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fuploads%2Fsystem%2Fuploads%2Fattachment_data%2Ffile%2F872147%2FArmy_Mar_19_senior_data.csv%2Fpreview&data=04%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7C32d66be5e8d64247da9d08d89504b0d6%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C1%7C637423194685584051%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IjEhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C1000&data=NkjHB845qtlR9q0Y1hmQRtIRt%2BCvv15HwpCw0wUwHb8%3D&reserved=0)

1) Is Commander Joint Helicopter Command (JHC) under operational command of Commander Field Army (CFA) or Chief of the General Staff (CGS) as of November 2020?

2) If Commander JHC is under operational command of CGS, when did the change of command between CFA and CGS occur? Please state month and year if possible.'

On 30 November 2020, under FOI2020/13110, the following was requested:

'Could you advise the recruiting areas (if assigned one) for each of the regular regiments of the Royal Armoured Corps? I'm aware the Yeomanry are regional, therefore I'm asking for only the regulars.'

On 30 November 2020, under FOI2020/13123, the following was requested:

Could you provide either a list (or url/pdf) which provides a list of the current sites used/owned by the Ministry of Defence within Scotland.

On 30 November 2020, under FOI2020/13126, the following was requested:

'1) Could you provide either a list (or url where this information is available) for the current units based in (including any moving out/into Scotland) by the end of the year.

2) Could you also also advise if the following units have moved/changed their command (command as in what they report to):

2a) 1 MERCIAN (due to move to Weeton Barracks and swap with 2 YORKS?)

2b) 2 YORKS (my understanding is they are due to move to Cyprus later this month and swap with 1 MERCIAN)

2c) 1 PWRR

2d) 1 YORKS (my understanding is they've just moved to Catterick?)

2e) 1 R ANGLIAN

2d) Royal Dragoon Guards (my understanding is they have just moved to Warminster?)

On 30 November 2020, under FOI2020/13128, the following was requested:

'I'm unsure if this information is available, but if not could you provide a list or advise which barracks form part of Catterick Garrison. Also, if you could advise which units they are used by (if allowed). I understand for security reasons some information can't be provided, so if there is somewhere this information has already been listed/provided and can be given to me, that would be great too!'

On 1 December 2020, under FOI2020/13258, the following was requested:

'The latest E-Wire publication <https://royalsignals.org/FileTransfer/E-Wire/PDF/19-20/Wire-Autumn%202020.pdf> list 246 (Gurkha) Signal Squadron as under both 1 Signal Regiment and 2 Signal Regiment, pages 38 and 42.

Similarly in <https://royalsignals.org/FileTransfer/E-Wire/PDF/19-20/WireSummer20.pdf> page 38, 41 and [https://royalsignals.org/FileTransfer/E-Wire/PDF/19-20/Winter\\_19\\_Wire](https://royalsignals.org/FileTransfer/E-Wire/PDF/19-20/Winter_19_Wire) pages 19 and 24 and <https://royalsignals.org/FileTransfer/E-Wire/PDF/19-20/Autumn%2019%20Wire%20for%20website.pdf> pages 21, 23

Can you please clarify which regiment or higher formation 246 Signal Squadron is subordinate to or reports to?'

On 3 December 2020, under FOI2020/13350, the following was requested:

'Could you advise which 1\* (or 2\* if applicable) each of the below units are:

1) Currently subordinated to

and

2) their future (if changing) future command.

1) KRH

2) HCR

3) RL (Royal Lancers)

4) RDG

5) RWY

6) 1 SCOTS GDS

7) 1 SCOTS

8) 4 SCOTS

9) 2 LANCS

10) 1 YORKS

11) 3 RIFLES

12) 103 REME

13) 104 REME

14) 105 REME'

On 4 December 2020, under FOI2020/13365, the following was requested:



'May I ask what exactly is Air Commodore Jonathan Burr's current appointment after his appointment as Head, Military Strategic Effects in 2015?'

On 4 December 2020, under FOI2020/13375, the following was requested:

'Could you provide a list/document which shows all current army Garrisons/Stations/Camps?'

On 8 December 2020, under FOI2020/13481, the following was requested:

'May I ask what exactly is Brigadier George Macintosh's current appointment at the MOD as according to the Welsh Guards Magazine 2019 [https://www.welshguardscharity.co.uk/sites/default/files/journals/2020-04/Welsh%20Guards%20Magazine%202019\\_FINAL\\_LR.pdf](https://www.welshguardscharity.co.uk/sites/default/files/journals/2020-04/Welsh%20Guards%20Magazine%202019_FINAL_LR.pdf) ?'

On 9 December 2020, under FOI2020/13530, the following was requested:

'1) Who succeeded Rear-Admiral Jim Highman as Director, Ships Support Transformation and Chief Naval Engineer after Rear-Admiral Higham moved to DE&S?

2) With reference to the answer to FOI2020/09845 part 1, has the appointment of Flag Officer Scotland and Northern Ireland (FOSNI) been filled or still interimly held by Commodore Antsey? <https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/news-and-latest-activity/news/2020/october/09/091020queen-birthday-honours>'

On 9 December 2020, under FOI2020/13562, the following was requested:

'Who has replaced Captain, now Commodore Ian Groom as HMS Prince of Wales Client Director and Acceptance Authority as through FOI2020/12847 I understand he is now Head Defence Maritime Regulator? Or has this appointment been removed?'

On 9 December 2020, under FOI2020/13567, the following was requested:

'1) Is 8 Engineer Brigade's CIS Troop part of the Royal Engineers or Royal Signals, and could you provide their current location

2) Does 38th (Irish) Brigade and the SIG have a separate signal troop, or just RCS personnel attached to their HQ?

3) Could you clarify the following; is 13 Signal Regiment due to move to 1 ISR Bde in the future? Or will it remain under 1 Signal Brigade? According to this FOI(A): Army/Sec/21/02/FOI2019/06365, 13 Signal Regiment was due to come under 1 ISR Bde.

4) Could you advise if the ARRC Military Police Battalion is still active, and could you confirm this battalion is under 1 (UK) Signal Bde?'

On 9 December 2020, under FOI2020/13568, the following was requested:

'Could you provide a list of the current RAF Cadet wings, along with the groups they report to (if available), and those wing's current squadrons and locations? I understand this is a

lost to request, so if this information has already been provided or can be viewed anywhere else, that would work too.'

On 15 December 2020, under FOI2020/13718, the following was requested:

'Could you advise the current MoD services/units (mod, not army)/organisations based at Catterick Garrison.'

On 15 December 2020, under FOI2020/13720, the following was requested:

'Could you advise the current MoD services/units (mod, not army)/organisations based within Scotland.'

On 15 December 2020, under FOI2020/13721, the following was requested:

'Could you advise the current MoD services/units (mod, not army)/organisations based at Tidworth Garrison.'

On 15 December 2020, under FOI2020/13723, the following was requested:

'Could you advise the current MoD services/units (mod, not army)/organisations based at Colchester Garrison.'

On 15 December 2020, under FOI2020/13724, the following was requested:

'Could advise the current ships/organisations/services, etc. of the Royal Navy based within HMNB Faslane.'

On 15 December 2020, under FOI2020/13725, the following was requested:

'Could you advise the current standing squadrons/flotillas/commands/groups, etc of the Royal Navy currently active.'

On 15 December 2020, under FOI2020/13726, the following was requested:

'Could you advise the current:

A) Current Royal Navy Reserve units (and their size/command they report to)

B) Current Royal Marines Reserve units (and their size/command they report to)

C) Any other reserve units of the Royal Navy/Royal Marines which don't fall into the above category (for example; any commands)'

On 16 December 2020, under FOI2020/13209, the following was requested:

'I would like to alter my FOI request ref FOI2020/13209. I would like to eliminate question 1) since RADM Lower's appointment was mentioned on the Royal Navy's website.'

My altered FOI request is

"1) Who has replaced Rear-Admiral Iain Lower as Head of Strategic Engagement, Naval Staff?

2) What new or future appointment does Major-General Gwyn Jenkins now hold?

3) What appointment does Brigadier Alan Lister hold?

Ref <https://www.thegazette.co.uk/London/issue/63191/supplement/20334>'

On 17 December 2020, under FOI2020/13831, the following was requested:

'What is the next or future appointment for Lieutenant -General Giles Hill , now that he handed over command of the post Deputy Commander, Resolute Support reference [https://www.nato.int/cps/en/natohq/news\\_180167.htm](https://www.nato.int/cps/en/natohq/news_180167.htm)'

On 24 December 2020, under FOI2020/13983, the following was requested:

'Could you provide a list of the following:

- 1) Current Wings of the RAF Regiment
- 2) The squadrons of the regiment and their higher command
- 3) Current Location of the Wings/Squadrons

And finally, if possible could you advise which group these wings reports to overall.'

On 29 December 2020, under FOI2020/14007, the following was requested:

'Who has succeeded Commodore M. P. Robinson as Head Submarines In-Service as Commodore Robinson is listed retired on the London Gazette <https://www.thegazette.co.uk/London/issue/63216/supplement/21991> ? '

On 29 December 2020, under FOI2020/14011, the following was requested:

'What exact appointment does Air Commodore D. A.Hugget hold at RAF Reserve as of 5 October 2020? <https://www.thegazette.co.uk/London/issue/63212/supplement/21698>

Apologies, I meant Air Commodore Andrew David Hugget.'

On 29 December 2020, under FOI2020/14012, the following was requested:

'Who has succeeded Air Commodore N. T. Bradshaw as Deputy Defence Services Secretary and Head Ceremonial Events, Honours and Recognition after 25 November 2020 as Air Commodore Bradshaw is listed as retired <https://www.thegazette.co.uk/London/issue/63216/supplement/21992> ? '

On 29 December 2020, under FOI2020/14017, the following was requested:

'What appointment does Commodore James R. Dean hold as of September 2020? <https://www.thegazette.co.uk/London/issue/63216/supplement/21991>

Is he still Directing Staff, U.K. Defence Academy as per the answer to FOI2020/05861, if not, who has succeeded him at that appointment?'

On 30 December 2020, under FOI2020/14020, the following was requested:

'Thank you for answering FOI2020/12869.

Can I ask who has replaced Commodore Ray Lovegrove as Head [of] Strategic Asset-management and Programming Team (SAPT) Programme?'

On 5 January 2020, under FOI2021/00085, the following was requested:

'I understand the Carrier Enabled Power Projection team drew down in December 2020.

1) Can you confirm the Carrier Enabled Power Projection team and Director Carrier Strike team has closed in December 2020?

2) If so, what is Rear-Admiral Matthew Briers' next appointment?'

On 7 January 2020, under FOI2021/00183, the following was requested:

'What is Air Commodore Owen R.J. Barnes' next appointment since Air Commodore Paul Rose took over his post Head, Helicopters 3 , DE&S? Ref:

<https://www.thegazette.co.uk/London/issue/63229/supplement/85> '