Dear Mr Flury,

1. Thank you for your e-mail of 29 April 2011 that has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am sorry for the delay in providing a response. You requested:

   “Can you please provide a breakdown of the total cost to the MOD of their contribution to the Royal Wedding – not only on the day in terms of the troops taking part, but any other security requirements prior to the event. Can you also confirm if extra funds were made available to cover these extra costs.”

2. The marginal costs to the Ministry of Defence in support of the Royal Wedding consisted of the following:

   Transportation   £21,080
   Subsistence       £  1,700
   Flypast           £55,038
   £77,818

   The majority of the Service personnel on parade on 29 April 2011 were drawn from London District and from those employed on Ceremonial Duties, as well as other London based units in order to minimise travel and subsistence expenditure.

3. Security for the Royal Wedding was the responsibility of the Home Office and military personnel were not employed on security duties. Accordingly, costs in terms of security both prior to, and during, the Royal Wedding are not held by the Ministry of Defence.

Yours sincerely

Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff – Personnel and Training

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Head of Corporate Information, 1st Floor, Zone N, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal
review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

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