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Dear Mr Zacchi,

Thank you for your email of 07 April 2021 in which you requested the following:

Could you provide:

- A) List of the current Army Reserve bands.
- B) Role of Army Reserve bands (if available to release)
- C) Do the Army Reserve bands report to CAMUS for administration, or do they only report to the RHQ/Battalion HQ?

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act). I have addressed each of your three requests individually, below:

## A) List of current Army Reserve bands

The Band of 150 Regiment Royal Logistics Corps
The Band of The Duke of Lancaster's Regiment
Army Medical Services Band
The Band of The Royal Yeomanry (Inns of Court & City Yeomanry)
The Honourable Artillery Company Regimental Band
The Lancashire Artillery Band
The Band of the Mercian Regiment
Nottinghamshire Band of the Royal Engineers
The Band of The Princess of Wales's Royal Regiment
The Band of the Royal Anglian Regiment
The Band of the Royal Irish Regiment
The Royal Signals (Northern) Band
The Regimental Band & Corps of Drums of The Royal Welsh
The Salamanca Band and Bugles of The Rifles
The Waterloo Band and Bugles of The Rifles
The Band of the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers
The Highland Band of The Royal Regiment of Scotland
The Lowland Band of The Royal Regiment of Scotland
The Band of the Yorkshire Regiment

## B) Role of the Army Reserve bands

Army Reserve Bands provide musical support to Defence tasks. They currently provide c30% of the Army's musical output.

C) Do the Army Reserve bands report to CAMUS for administration, or do they only report to the RHQ/Battalion HQ?

Army Reserve Bands report to their Regimental / Battalion Headquarters.

It has been recognised that you have submitted a large number of Freedom of Information requests to the Department. Whilst there is not a limit in the Act on how many requests an individual can submit, a large number of requests over a short period of time could be seen as an attempt to disrupt the work of the Department and as such, could be viewed as vexatious behaviour (Section 14 of the Act). I understand in previous correspondence that you have been encouraged to attempt to conduct your own searches for the relevant information on the gov.uk and Armed Forces websites, prior to making a request for recorded information to the Department. The British Army's website is: https://www.army.mod.uk/.

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Yours sincerely,

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