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Ref. FOI 2019/10127

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Dear Mr Boyd,

Thank you for your further email of 2 September 2019, clarifying your Freedom of Information request made on 18th June 2019 (ref: FOI2019/07125), requesting the following information:

“The five most recent issues”

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 (MOD) and I can confirm that all the information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested can be found enclosed below and attached at Annex A & B, but some of the information falls entirely within the scope of the absolute exemptions provided for at Sections 40 (Personal Data) of the FOIA and has been redacted.

Section 40(2) has been applied to some of the information in order to protect personal information as governed by the General Data Protection Regulation and Data Protection Act 2018. Section 40 is an absolute exemption and there is therefore no requirement to consider the public interest in making a decision to withhold the information.

The information you have requested can be found below and attached:

Flashlight Issue's 45, 46 & 47 are exempt under Section 21 of the FOI Act because it is reasonably accessible to you by other means, and I am pleased to inform you that you can access these via the following links:

Flashlight Issue 45:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/432952/20150605-FOI04746-Flashlight_Issue_45.pdf

Flashlight Issue 46:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/432953/20150605-FOI04746-Flashlight_Issue_46.pdf

Flashlight Issue 47:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/432954/20150605-FOI04746-Flashlight_Issue_47.pdf

Issue 48 can be found attached at Annex A and Issue 49 can be found at Annex B.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may wish to note that whilst previous issues of the Flashlight magazine have been published in the public domain, the intention for these magazines are now to remain an internal publication.

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). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made in writing 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,

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