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Dear Jared,

Thank you for your e-mail of 22 January regarding offences resulting in dismissal from the RAF.

You requested the following information:

"Firstly I would like to know the official list of offences that result in immediate dismissal from the RAF.

Secondly I would like to know between the time period of 1st July 2010 – 1st July 2013 how many RAF personnel were dismissed due to the above mentioned criminal offences list."

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

We have completed a search of our records and I can confirm that no information within the scope of your request is held.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that there is no official list of offences that result in immediate or automatic dismissal from the RAF. The circumstances of each conviction are considered by senior officers on a case by case basis before any decision to dismiss is taken. However, conviction for any offences covered by the Sexual Offences Act will normally result in the individuals being dismissed or asked to resign their commission. Likewise, individuals convicted of offences attracting a custodial sentence from a civil court will usually not be retained by the RAF.

If you are not satisfied with this response or 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 **Deputy Chief Information Officer**, 2nd Floor, 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.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information

Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely

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