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KELLAY- Explanation DUFERC/CEEDUF  
Minutes

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A: FOI-20-03-2013-135410-002-Kellay-DUFERCExplanation  
B: FOI 08-01-2013-161746-010 -Kellay-DUFERC

Dear Ms Kellay,

**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION – RELEASE OF INFORMATION UNDER THE  
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000**

Thank you for your email of 20 March 2013 requesting the following information:

*“Please search through paper records and send copies of the 1st -16th minutes of the Depleted Uranium Firing Environmental Review Committee (DUFERC) and minutes of the Committee of Environmental Experts on DU Firings (CEEDUF). Can you please explain how it is the case that the 20th, 30th and 50th DUFERC meeting minutes cannot be located.”*

We are treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

We have conducted a detailed search of our electronic and paper records and we are only able to find minutes from the 17th meeting of the DUFERC and no minutes of the Committee of Environmental Experts on DU Firings (CEEDUF) which you have requested.

Upon re-examining the list of documents that we sent you, we have identified that the minutes of the 20th and 50th meetings were inadvertently identified as not being available. We apologise for this oversight and hope you will appreciate that there was a very large number of documents in this release. These documents are now attached. These documents have been assessed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and personal information has been redacted under the Absolute Exemption Section 40.

With regard to the minutes of the 30th meeting of the DUFERC we have searched through our files to ensure that we have not missed this document. However, we can not locate a copy of this document in the files. We can only provide you with material that we can locate.

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 us 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, 2nd Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail [CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk](mailto: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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Yours sincerely

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