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Dear Mr Jones,

Your email of 12 December 2017 asked for clarification of two phrases. You asked the following:

".....can you advise me what is meant on page 2 by

- (a) ALARP(T).*
- (b) (not all are)"*

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held.

Under Section 16 of the Act, it is the duty of a public authority to help persons who propose to make, or have made requests for information. I note that most of your recent information requests have been in question form. Whilst it is open to you to make an information request in the form of a question, please be aware that section 1 of the Act requires public authorities to retrieve and locate the recorded information that meets the description of the request, held at the time the request was received.

The Act does not permit requesters to seek the opinions and explanations of officials from their corporate knowledge of a subject, such advice does not meet the requirements of section 1 of the Act.

That having been said, I can confirm that ALARP(T) stands for As Low As Reasonably Practicable (Temporal). However, no information is held providing a definition or explanation of the phrase *"not all are"*.

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.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely

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