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Dear Mr Hinch

Thank you for your email of 21 December 2014 requesting the following information:

"Could you provide the number of non military (civilians) who have been killed whilst contracted to the MoD in Iraq and Afghanistan whilst deployed under CONDO or CONLog

Please provide the numbers for each year since 2003 to date for those 1.Contractors deployed under CONDO / ConLog 2.Locally Employed Civilians (if available)"

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

The Ministry of Defence requires further information in order to determine whether it holds any information within the scope of your request.

Your question suggests you are only looking for those employed under CONDO/CONLog. However, Locally Employed Civilians (LECs) are not CONDO/CONLog Personnel and are workers who are directly engaged by the MOD (e.g. by the MOD's Labour Support Units). CONDO Personnel are civilians accompanying the force (usually employees of UK MOD contractors) and comprise of UK Nationals, Third Country Nationals (TCNs) and Locally Recruited Workers (LRWs).

Can I clarify whether you are actually interested in LRWs (workers who are engaged either by a contractor or subcontractor and who normally reside in the country or countries in which the contracted services are being performed), as opposed to LECs (workers who are directly engaged by the MOD and who normally reside in the country or countries in which the contracted services are being performed), or both?

Additionally may I also clarify your definition of 'killed', specifically whether you are looking for the numbers who died as a consequence of enemy action / combat, or more broadly to include those who died in ways other than by natural causes e.g. accidents?

Once you have clarified your request, I will be pleased to consider it again.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

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