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Dear Mr Spearman

Thank you for your email of 26 February to the 'what do they know' website requesting the following information:

"I would like to know the reason there are two RAF Puma helicopters landing at various sites around Cardiff city.

Are they doing training because of the "Corona" virus?

Are they delivering vaccines?

Are they taking part in a training exercise in the event of a pandemic caused by Covid19."

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

The information you have requested can be found below.

Puma Aircraft have been operating in the Cardiff City area during February 2020 as part of a planned training exercise. This exercise is not related to COVID-19.

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 at the address above. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for 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 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,

(signed electronically)

Air Command Secretariat