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Mr Elliott

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Dear Mr Elliott,

Thank you for your email of 9 December 2018 requesting the following information:

I would like to request the latest relevant documents regarding the ATC regulations on the following topics;

Uniform regulations for Cadets,

Safeguarding,

Appropriate discipline practices,

Approved Training Exercises

You clarified this request on 14 December 2018 requesting the following information:

I require this information relating to the RAF Air Cadets, What I mean by "Appropriate Discipline Practices" is that I would like clarification on what is currently considered as an acceptable disciplinary measure.

On the topic of "Approved Training Exercises" I would like to know what the RAFAC allows squadrons and wings to do in terms of training.

Also this should have been in the original request, would you be able to give an approximate date for when the replacement for the No.8 will be fully introduced?

I'm 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 some information in scope of your request is held.

Information on uniform regulations for Cadets is contained within Air Publication 1358C a copy of this is attached. Information on safeguarding and appropriate discipline practices is contained in Air Cadet Publication 4 and Air Cadet Publication 20 respectively. Both

documents are attached. Air Cadet Publication 20 contains text in red this highlights the most recent amendments to the document.

A list of approved training exercises is contained in Air Cadet Publication 300 number 306 Annex C. A copy of this list is attached. This list contains all the exercises or activities that are available for RAF Air Cadet units to undertake. Exercises or activities are not mandated, individual units select exercises and activities from this list.

Section 40(2) has been applied to some information in order to protect personal information as governed by the Data Protection Act 2018. Section 40 is an absolute exemption and there is therefore no requirement to consider the public interest in making a decision to withhold the information.

Information on when the replacement for No.8 rifle will be fully introduced is not held as no final decision has been taken yet.

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Yours sincerely,

[Original signed]

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