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Dear Mr McBean,

Thank you for your email of 7 June in which you requested the following information:

"I am writing this request to see if there exists combat manuals (used in training) and if there is, if I could see them."

On 7 July, you clarified this request to:

"I was wondering if I could receive the combat manuals used by the army (preferably instructional manuals)."

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am afraid that your request remains too broad and I still require further clarification on the recorded information you are seeking. The Army has many manuals which relate to combat which span across multiple capabilities, and without a more specific request, I am unable to provide a response to this request.

Under section 16 (advice and assistance) of the act, who may wish to note that a large amount of documentation relating to British Army manuals is held by Kings College, and can be accessed by members of the public. For further details, please use the link below to access the Kings College website:

http://www.kingscollections.org/catalogues/lhcma/collection/b/xb85-001

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance

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Yours sincerely,

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