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Dear Mr Jie Sheng Li,

Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence of 25 September 2019 in which you requested the following information:

'This Twitter thread

(<https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ftwitter.com%2F24CdoRE%2Fstatus%2F1113198491990413312&data=02%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7C51b71b9aa42c41e7097908d7417ba690%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C0%7C637049871640928527&adata=oHkNSJLzZ5yaKobUTYg2JTZrPBhYNh%2BCtMxxh%2B9I1CQ%3D&reserved=0>) says 56 Squadron is the HQ and Support Squadron. It was once just a field squadron (<https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fbritish-army-units1945on.co.uk%2Froyal-engineers%2Fsquadrons%2F56-squadron.html&data=02%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7C51b71b9aa42c41e7097908d7417ba690%7Cbe7760ed5953484bae95d0a16dfa09e5%7C0%7C1%7C637049871640928527&adata=oyVYtOlx8SeqV8lff8FI%2BgtMZwuYBZ5KARQOXZmlfo0%3D&reserved=0>).

- A) When did it 'change' to be the HQ and Support Squadron?
- B) When did 54 Squadron change to become a Field Squadron? It was once the HQ and Support Squadron
- (<https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fbritish-army-units1945on.co.uk%2Froyal-engineers%2Fsquadrons%2F54-squadron.html&data=02%7C01%7Ccio-foi%40mod.gov.uk%7C51b71b9aa42c41e7097908d7417ba690%7Cbe7760ed59534>)

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fOV1RVub36YKsnylgck6WREIV%2B%2Bmw2D0V5tYQ%3D&reserved=0](#)

Your enquiry has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

A search for the information has been completed within the Ministry of Defence and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held.

In answer to Part A of your request, when did it 'change' to be the HQ and Support Squadron?

9 February 2017.

In response to Part B) when did 54 Squadron change to become a Field Squadron? It was once the HQ and Support Squadron

1 May 2013

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Yours sincerely

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