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Dear Mr Thwaytes,

Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence of 11 March 2018 in which you requested the following information:

- '1. How many Royal Navy AIB courses are there and when do they run?
2. How many spots available for warfare officer training at BRNC this year and when?
3. How long does it take in between SIFT to AIB and how can I speed up the process'

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

Following our enquiries, it has become apparent that the Ministry of Defence requires clarification from you before it can continue with your request in order to focus our search for the requested information in the appropriate area. With regard to question one, can you please explain what you mean by the term 'Royal Navy AIB Courses'. Do you mean courses which may be held to assist applicants with the AIB process or do you require information on the number and frequency of AIB boards?

Under s1(3) of the FOI Act, a Public Authority may refuse to respond to an FOI request where it requires further information in order to identify and locate the information requested. It will be necessary to close your enquiry under this reference number until we have received clarification as detailed above. Once the further information has been received this will constitute as a new request for which there will be a new period of 20 working days to respond.

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

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Yours sincerely

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