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Dear Ms Smith

Request for Information – Acknowledgement

Thank you for your email of 8 May 2014 clarifying your FOI request re military shops in Navy Bases. A full copy of your revised query as is set out below. Please accept our apologies for taking until today to acknowledge your amended request – we have been trying to establish exactly what information we can supply amongst that requested regarding the shops in the Portsmouth Naval Base you have specified, within the appropriate limit for FOI requests. Your enquiry has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

As advised in our previous response of 8 May when we pointed out we still may not be able to supply all the information requested, even in a request limited to one establishment, we cannot supply all the information requested. We will be able to supply a list of items currently on sale at the outlets within the base, but not their prices – this would require a manual check of each item that would be beyond the appropriate limit – and not information from earlier years, as there has been a change of contractor and the historical information is no longer held. We will be able to answer the queries re opening hours of the shops, and whether they are manned by civilians or service personnel

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 a response is to be given within 20 working days of receipt of your amended request in this case by 6 June 2014. However, if your request is voluminous or complex it may take some time to process in which case we will advise you further.

Yours sincerely

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Request for Information

The following clarification:

"I will narrow down my request to the naval base in Portsmouth".

To the following original request:

"Dear Royal Navy. Could you give me a list of items that each military shop in each military camp sells and the price of each eg; Personal Hygiene items, bar of soap, deodorant, toothbrush etc; The amount each shop collected in the years 2011,2012,2013 and to-date in 2014; the opening hours of each shop; The rank of officer that decides the opening hours of the shops; If the shops are manned by military personnel or civillan personnel."