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Dear Mr Taylor,

Thank you for your email of 19 June in which you requested the following information:

- "1. The required security measures to allow for a non-Barracks based cadet units spanning primarily the Army Cadet force And the Combined Cadet Force.
- 2. The current statistics for such establishments regardless of the quality of security measures the quantity of L85 rifles at this premises across full the UK at this current time.
- 3. As a separate statistic the number of rifles being held in quarantine at armours.
- 4. The number of rifles that should be in cadet centres UK wide."

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Ministry of Defence requires further information in order to determine whether it holds any information within the scope of your request.

For the first part of your request it would be helpful if you would explain what you mean by 'security measures' for example are these security measures in relation to holding weapons? Also, please clarify what you mean by 'non-barracks based cadet units'. In part two of your request, please explain what 'statistics' you are requesting. In relation to the third part of your query, please explain what you mean by 'quarantine'.

Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance), you may find it helpful to note when clarifying your request that cadets do not use L85 rifles. I should also inform you that some of the information you may be requesting could potentially be exempt from release due to the nature of the information.

Once you have clarified your request, I will be pleased to consider it again. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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Yours sincerely,

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