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### **REQUEST FOR INFORMATION – THE ‘TIGER IN THE JUNGLE’ PAPER**

Further to our letter of 9 June I can confirm that consideration of your request for information under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000) is now complete.

You requested a copy of the Strategic Directive known as “The Tiger in the Jungle” paper. I can confirm that we have been able to locate a letter written by a former General Officer Commanding Northern Ireland (GOCNI) dated June 1989, that was sent to all Commanding Officers in Northern Ireland. A document entitled “Concept of Operations” was attached to the letter and we believe that this is the document that to which you refer.

Whilst researching your request a further document was discovered which forms a personal letter to the GOCNI from the Assistant Chief of the General Staff (ACGS) at the time. We have been unable to determine whether the amendments suggested by ACGS were made, however we thought it worthwhile including to provide an overall picture of what was discussed at the time.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Head of Corporate Information, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail [CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk](mailto:CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk)). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

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