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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 8 September 2015 where you requested information about football within the British Army, specifically:

MALE

- 1. Does the Army have a male football team?*
- 2. How many games have they played per year in 2012, 2013, 2014 and expect to play in 2015?*
- 3. If the team plays or trains abroad, can you list by month from 1st Jan 2014 - 31st August 2015 inclusive, the countries visited and whether the purpose was for training, playing or both?*
- 4. What rank/gender are the team's manager and trainer?*
- 5. Are the football teams corp based i.e AGC or combined corps? If solely Corp based I would like a list of the specific corp football teams.*

FEMALE

- 1. Does the Army have a female football team?*
- 2. How many games have they played per year in 2012, 2013, 2014 and expect to play in 2015?*
- 3. If the team plays or trains abroad, can you list by month from 1st Jan 2014 - 31st August 2015 inclusive, the countries visited and whether the purpose was for training, playing or both?*
- 4. What rank/gender are the team's manager and trainer?*
- 5. Are the football teams corp based i.e AGC or combined corps? If solely Corp based I would like a list of the specific corp football teams.*

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held, however an exemption applies to some of this information.

The information requested in part 2 is exempt under Section 21 of the FOIA because it is reasonably accessible to you by other means. It is already in the public domain: www.armyfa.com. The rest of the information you have requested is as follows:

1. The Army has multiple teams for both men and women.

3. The Senior Men's team travelled to Slovakia in May 2015 to train and play. The Army Reserve team travelled to Cyprus in June 2015 to train and play. No Army Women's teams have travelled abroad for training or matches between 1 January 2014 and 31 August 2015.

4. The manager of the Men's team is a Major and is male; the head coach's rank is a Warrant Officer Class 1 and is male. The manager of the Women's team is a Lieutenant Colonel and is female; the head coach's rank is Staff Sergeant and is female.

5. Players who represent the Army are selected from across all Corps.

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Yours sincerely,

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