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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your letter of 30 November 2015 requesting the following information:

- i. when the contract with IDG expires at RMA Sandhurst*
- ii. the renewal options that IDG enjoy*
- iii. the process by which other providers can compete for this contract*

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

I advised you in correspondence of 21 December 2015 that the Ministry of Defence (MOD) holds information related to your request, but it was necessary to conduct a public interest test to consider whether this information fell within the scope of the exemption provided by Section 43 (Commercial Interests). I am pleased to inform you that the public interest test has concluded, with the recommendation being to release the information you requested, which I provide as follows:

- i. 30 November 2018
- ii. There are no explicit renewal options detailed in the contract. Any decision to renew will be at the MOD's discretion.
- iii. The contract in question is for a sale, not a procurement. As such MOD is not looking for a provider, and is not obliged to advertise when this contract comes up for renewal. MOD may choose to look for an alternative client in the future, if it is merited to obtain maximum returns. This will be carefully considered by the MOD at the appropriate 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 Information Rights Compliance team, 1st Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail 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.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <https://ico.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

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