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Dear [REDACTED]

Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence dated 17 July 2016, which requested the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

'I want to know how many times the Royal Navy bomb squad has been called out to deal with unexploded bombs/mines/devices in Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire, Moray, the Highlands and Islands over the past five years. I would like this information split into each individual area and individual year.'

A search has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence and I can confirm that the information requested is held. The call-outs attended by the Royal Navy Bomb Disposal Team are detailed in the table below:

Royal Navy Bomb Disposal Team call-outs 2011 - 2016

Area	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016 to date
Aberdeen	1	1	0	0	2	1
Aberdeenshire	0	3	2	4	3	4
Moray	0	2	0	0	2	1
Highlands and Islands	15	10	6	14	8	4
Total	16	16	8	18	15	10

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Yours sincerely,

Navy Command Secretariat - FOI Section