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Dear [REDACTED]

Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence dated 22 May 2017 requesting the following information:

*(1) in the last five training years, how many people were accepted to Sandhurst Military Academy and of this number, how many received a private secondary school education.*

*(2) Over the last 10 years, how many people have been admitted to the Royal Naval Academy at Dartmouth. Of this number, how many received a private secondary education.*

Your enquiry has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I can confirm that the Ministry of Defence holds information in scope of your request. In response to your first question, information on how many military personnel were accepted to Royal Military Academy Sandhurst (RMAS) and how many of them had received a private secondary school education in the last five training years is attached at Annex A to this letter.

With regard to your second question, information on how many military personnel were accepted to Britannia Royal Naval College (BRNC) Dartmouth, and how many of them had received a private secondary school education, during the last ten training years is attached at Annex B to this letter.

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, Ground Floor, Zone D, 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.

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, <http://www.ico.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely

Navy Command Secretariat – FOI Section

**Royal Military Academy Sandhurst Entrants Split by School Type:**

Trg Yr	Independent	State	Total
12/13	280	320	590
13/14	240	310	550
14/15	240	310	550
15/16	200	300	500
16/17	250	330	580

- This is a single service-estimate, not an official statistic. It relates to people who were accepted into RMA Sandhurst with subtotals for those who had attended state and independent schools.
- If someone has attended a mix of independent and state school, only one will have been recorded.
- Figures have been rounded to the nearest 10.
- Where rounding has been used, totals and sub-totals have been rounded separately and so may not equal the sums of their rounded parts.
- Rounding is necessary, as a means of disclosure control and the preservation of anonymity; it also improves the clarity of output and conveys an appropriate level of precision to users.

**Entrants to Britannia Royal Naval College Dartmouth by School Type - Officers**

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	All Entrants	Entrants recorded as having attended an Independent School
2007/2008	380	100
2008/2009	340	70
2009/2010	420	100
2010/2011	350	80
2011/2012	320	80
2012/2013	310	70
2013/2014	340	80
2014/2015	410	100
2015/2016	420	90
2016/2017	420	100

- This is a single-service estimate, not an official statistic. It relates to people who were accepted into BRNC Dartmouth with sub-totals for those who had attended independent schools.
- Figures have been rounded to the nearest 10 with numbers ending in 5 rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to avoid bias.
- Where rounding has been used, totals and sub-totals have been rounded separately and so may not equal the sums of their rounded parts.
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