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Dear [REDACTED]

Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence dated 2 February 2015 requesting statistical information regarding Royal Marine Officers. 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 Department holds the information that you requested and is attached as Annex A 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, 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.

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Yours sincerely
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Q1. The Chances of Survival for Royal Marines (RM) Officers from Year of Service 0 to Year of Service 37.

A1.

LOS	New entrant	0
0	88%	100%
1	71%	80%
2	67%	75%
3	65%	73%
4	63%	70%
5	60%	66%
6	55%	61%
7	51%	56%
8	46%	51%
9	43%	48%
10	40%	45%
11	37%	41%
12	35%	39%
13	34%	38%
14	32%	36%
15	31%	34%
16	29%	32%
17	26%	29%
18	25%	28%
19	23%	25%
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22	18%	20%
23	18%	20%
24	17%	19%
25	15%	17%
26	14%	16%
27	13%	15%
28	11%	13%
29	10%	12%
30	10%	11%
31	8%	9%
32	7%	8%
33	5%	5%
34	2%	3%
35	1%	1%
36	0%	0%
37	0%	0%

Q2. The average progression rates for RM Officers from OF1 (2Lt RM) up to and including OF 6 (Brigadier).

A2. Expected LOS in rank and LOS on promotion for a new entrant are shown below

Rank	Expected LOS in rank	Expected LOS on promotion to the rank
OF-1	1.8	
OF-2	6.5	2
OF-3	8.9	8
OF-4	6.2	18
OF-5	6.0	23
OF-6	2.6	28

Q3. The chances of promotion for RM Officers from OF 1 to each subsequent rank up to and including OF 6.

A3.

% Chance of Promotion

		OF-1	OF-2	OF-3	OF-4	OF-5	OF-6
Chances of promotion to before leaving the Armed Forces	OF-2	72%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	OF-3	40%	61%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	OF-4	22%	33%	64%	100%	100%	100%
	OF-5	8%	12%	24%	43%	100%	100%
	OF-6	4%	7%	13%	23%	58%	100%