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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 10 August requesting the following information:

"I am writing to understand some information on the availability of Service Families Accommodation (SFA) in the Northwood HQ and surrounding areas (West London) specifically the following:

- 1. Total number of SFA properties on the books in that geographical area.*
- 2. Total number of SFA properties occupied in the area.*
- 3. Total number of SFA properties unoccupied and available in the area.*
- 4. Total number of SFA properties unoccupied and not available (with reason) in the area."*

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 (MOD) and I can confirm that all the information in scope of your request is held and can be found below.

- 1. Total number of SFA properties on the books in that geographical area.**
1169
- 2. Total number of SFA properties occupied in the area.**
889
- 3. Total number of SFA properties unoccupied and available in the area.**
98
- 4. Total number of SFA properties unoccupied and not available (with reason) in the area**
182 are not available for allocation due to the following: Modernisation works, Fire damage, Flood damage, Structural issues, Damp and mould issue or in the process of disposal.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to know that the above figures are for all SFA within a 10 mile radius of Northwood.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made in writing within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely,

DIO Secretariat