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Dear Mr XXXXXXX,

Request for Information – No Information Held

Further to my letter dated 16 May 2007, I am now in a position to provide a substantive response to both parts of your request seeking information on donations received by HMS CORNWALL or its crew from the proceeds of the sale of Leading Seaman Turney's story to the press and those donations received by former hostages.

In respect of the first part of your request in which you seek details of how much money has been received by HMS CORNWALL or its crew (FOI reference 16-05-2007-094507-003 refers), at the time of this RFI individuals had not received any payments, therefore, no information is held within the Department of the description specified in your request.

On the matter of the second part in which you request details of how much money has been received by former hostages (FOI reference 16-05-2007-131043-004 refers), former Naval hostages did not receive payment from the media. Again, therefore, no information is held within the Department of the description specified in this part of your request.

If you are unhappy 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 Director of Information Exploitation, 6th Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail Info-XD@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 unhappy 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 the case until the 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.gov.uk>.

Yours Sincerely

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