

Supplementary Document Reference Information - Defence Agencies

Military staff numbers and Net Operating Costs are taken from the Agencies Annual Report and Accounts 2007-08.

Civilian staff numbers, which refer to staff strengths as at 1 April 2008, are taken from UK Defence Statistics 2008.

Individual Agency Annual Report and Accounts can be found on the MOD website at:

<http://www.mod.uk/DefenceInternet/AboutDefence/CorporatePublications/AnnualReports/AnnualReportsAgenciesNDPBs/>

Agency Details

DEFENCE STORAGE AND DISTRIBUTION AGENCY (DSDA)									
<p>The new DSDA was formed in April 2006 following the Future Defence Supply Chain Initiative, effectively becoming an Enhanced Executive Agency. The Agency sits within the Top Level Budget area of Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S). The role of the Agency is to provide a storage, processing and distribution service for the MOD and other designated users.</p>									
<p>Chief Executive: Mr Neil Firth Defence Storage and Distribution Agency Building C16, Ploughley Road Lower Arcott Bicester, Oxon OX25 1LD</p>	<p>Staff Numbers</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 10px;">Civilian</td> <td style="text-align: right;">3,160</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Service</td> <td style="text-align: right;">174</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">3,334</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Net Operating Costs £268,300,000</td> </tr> </table>	Civilian	3,160	Service	174	Total	3,334	Net Operating Costs £268,300,000	
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<p>Sponsoring Minister: Min DES</p>									
DEFENCE VETTING AGENCY (DVA)									
<p>History: The DVA was formed in 1997. It is now the UK's largest government organisation undertaking National Security Vetting (NSV), the only organisation whose core business is NSV, and the only NSV organisation to obtain Charter Mark accreditation. It processes around 150,000 NSV applications each year to allow people to do sensitive jobs or access restricted locations.</p> <p>Mission: To deliver a quality, customer focused, and efficient NSV service.</p> <p>Role: To carry out NSV checks in line with the Cabinet Office standard. Where required the agency will provide a risk based assessment about the suitability of people to have access to sensitive information, sites, or valuable assets.</p> <p>Vision: To be recognised as the lead organisation on NSV process and personnel security risk based assessment across government. It will meet the expectations of customers and stakeholders with regard to the delivery of quality, timeliness, efficiency, and value for money.</p>									
<p>Web: http://www.mod.uk/DefenceInternet/AboutDefence/WhatWeDo/SecurityandIntelligence/DVA/</p>									
<p>Chief Executive Mrs Jacky Ridley Defence Vetting Agency Building 107, Imphal Barracks</p>	<p>Staff Numbers</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 10px;">Civilian</td> <td style="text-align: right;">386</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Service</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">386</td> </tr> </table>	Civilian	386	Service	0	Total	386		
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Sponsoring Minister: Min AF	
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE AND GUARDING AGENCY (MDPGA)	
Established in 1971, the Ministry of Defence Police became a Defence Agency in 1996. In 2004, the Ministry of Defence Guard Service (MGS) was amalgamated into the Agency to form the Ministry of Defence Police and Guarding Agency (MDPGA). The strategic vision of the MDPGA is to provide high quality Constabulary Policing, Guarding and Armed Security in support of the UK's Defence and the role of the Agency is to deliver effective Policing and Guarding as part of the UK's Defence capability.	
Web: http://www.mod.uk/DefenceInternet/AboutDefence/WhatWeDo/SecurityandIntelligence/MDPGA	
Chief Executive and Chief Constable Mr S Love MDGPA Wethersfield, Braintree Essex CM7 4AZ	Staff Numbers Civilian 7,760 Service 1 Total 7,761 Net Operating Costs £321,143,000
Sponsoring Minister: USofS	
PEOPLE, PAY AND PENSIONS AGENCY (PPA)	
The agency provides a full range of HR services to the Ministry of Defence, its civilian staff and their managers, which is also available in whole or part to other customers on repayment; the agency was formed in April 2006. The agency's role is to enable managers in MOD to manage their staff and staff to get their entitlements and manage their terms of employment through a range of services.	
Web: http://www.mod.uk/defenceinternet/microsite/pppa	
Chief Executive David Ball PPPA J Block, Foxhill, Combe Down Bath Avon BA1 5AB	Staff Numbers Civilian 1,110 Service 0 Total 1,032 Net Operating Costs £54,620,000
Sponsoring Minister: USofS	
SERVICE CHILDREN'S EDUCATION	
Originally launched as the Service Children's Schools (North West Europe) on 24 April 1991, the agency was re-launched on 1 April 1996 in an expanded form covering Service schools world-wide. The agency provides schooling for dependant children residing with MOD personnel serving outside the UK.	
Web: http://www.sceschools.com/	
Chief Executive Mr D G Wadsworth M.A., M.Phil, Hon D.Ed Building 5 Wegberg Military Complex BFPO 40	Staff Numbers Civilian 960 Service 0 Total Net Operating Costs £115,987,000
Sponsoring Minister: USofS	
SERVICE PERSONNEL AND VETERANS AGENCY	
The Agency formed on the 1 April 2007 bringing together the Armed Forces Personnel Administration	

Agency and the Veterans Agency.

The role of the agency is to deliver reliable, trusted and efficient personnel services to the serving and veterans communities

Web: <http://www.mod.uk/DefenceInternet/AboutDefence/WhatWeDo/Personnel/SPVA/>

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Staff Numbers

Civilian 940
Service 63
Commercial Partner (EDS) 1055
Total 2058

Net Operating Costs £145,301,000

Sponsoring Minister: USofS