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Dear Mr Cole

Thank you for your email of the 3 January 2015 requesting the following information:

“Please can I request under the Freedom of Information Act, for each month between October and December 2014, and broken down between Iraq and Syria,

- a) the number of Reaper missions flown;*
- b) the number of sorties with weapons released;*
- c) the number of weapons released; and*
- d) the type of weapon released.”*

We are 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, and we can confirm that all the information in scope of your request is held.

IRAQ			
	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14
The Number of Reaper Missions flown	10	48	49
The Number of Missions with Weapons Released	0	12	8
The Number of Weapons Released	0	24	14
The Type of Weapon Released	No weapon released	HELLFIRE	HELLFIRE

SYRIA			
	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14
The Number of Reaper Missions Flown	0	1	4
The Number of Missions with Weapons Released	0	0	0
The Number of Weapons Released	0	0	0
The Type of Weapon Released	No weapon released	No weapon released	No weapon released

The operational database which records information about UK Reaper sorties in Iraq and Syria is regularly reviewed for errors and omissions. As a result of these internal quality control checks, there are a few occasions where data has, or will be, amended.

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.

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, <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

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