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Dear

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION -RFI 59- REFUSAL (IN PART) TO DISCLOSE INFORMATION

Your correspondence dated 9 March 2005 has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Part of the information you have requested is exempt under S40 (Personal Information); in order to protect individuals' identities under the Data Protection Act 1998, S40 was exercised. However, I can confirm there are currently two senior staff members associated with Common Purpose as students, one MOD civilian and one serving RN officer. The Naval Base Commander is a member of the Common Purpose Advisory Group.

The following information, which falls within the scope of your request regarding disclosure of the total amount of public money which has been expended on Common Purpose training, visits, hosting or any other activity within the last 5 years is being supplied.

On the information we have available, £36,450 has been spent on Common Purpose training; £535.23 has been spent on visits, hosting and other related activities.

If you are unhappy with this decision or wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of this request then you should contact the undersigned in the first instance. Should you still be dissatisfied then you may apply for an internal review by contacting the Director of Information Exploitation, 6th Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB.

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 web site, <http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk>



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