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DEPLOYED CIVILIANS IN SUPPORT OF OP TELIC

1. During the Command Secretary's Conference on 14 March I agreed to let PUS have a note about the numbers of civilians currently deployed to theatre in support of Operation TELIC. I am sorry that it has taken longer to pull together than I had hoped.

2. At present the number of civilians deployed totals 156, but you will appreciate that the situation is fairly fluid and the numbers fluctuate somewhat from day to day. Those deployed are being utilised in a range of roles including finance, administration, claims, salvage, RFA, communications, POLAD etc. They are in grades ranging from E1 to SCS. Numbers by TLB/Agency are:

HQ Land	2
DCSA	2
CTLB (below Band B)	27
CTLB (Band Bs & SCS)	5
WSA	86
- SM	17
DSTL	17

3. The 'CTLB' numbers are mainly those sponsored directly by PJHQ; and the volunteers in these posts are not all CTLB staff but come from a variety of areas of the Department. As might be expected given the use of RFA, the Warship Support Agency has the largest contingent of deployed civilians.

4. These numbers do not include those civilians diverted to work in support of OP TELIC from routine postings, eg in Cyprus, but who have not been deployed into theatre. There are also small numbers of staff who continue to work in a number of JOA countries (eg Saudi Arabia) but whose presence there is not related to Op TELIC.

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PUS may also wish to be aware that a new MOD Civilian Deployment Co-ordination cell has been established at PJHQ. Coordinated information, in the form of published 'Guidance' has been made available for the first time to civilians deploying on TELIC; and a pre-deployment training strategy has been established, with HQ LAND leading, to ensure a robust approach to important CB D and other training. There is a great deal for the new cell to do, but an important current priority is constructing a register of the names, and other relevant details, of civilians who are deployed. The new cell is working to render this sort of information as complete and reliable as possible.

[signed on CHOTS]

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