

House of Commons: Written Statement

Ministry of Defence

Written Statement made by: **Minister for Veterans and People (Louise Sandher-Jones).**

The United Kingdom Reserve Forces External Scrutiny Team Annual Statutory Report 2025

Led by Air Chief Marshal (Retd) Lord Peach, the Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Associations External Scrutiny Team provides an independent assessment on the health of the Reserve Forces on behalf of the Department. I have today placed in the Library of the House a copy of the 2025 report, along with a copy of my response to this report. I am most grateful to the Team for their work.

Attachments:

1. Reserve Forces (2025_UK-Reserve-Forces-EST.pdf)
2. Reserve Forces (20251211 RFCA External Scrutiny Team Report -MinVP to Lord Peach_.pdf)