

**SUMMARY OF SECRETARY’S REPORT TO THE DSMA
COMMITTEE COVERING ACTIVITIES DURING THE PERIOD
17 APR-18 OCT 24**

During the last 6-month period, the DSMA secretariat received 54 requests for DSMA Notice advice, a decrease over the previous period (73). The Secretariat issued one supplementary DSMA notice in connection with potential UK evacuation operations in Lebanon. Twenty-four requests were initiated by members of the UK media, 22 by Government officials and 8 by members of the public.

The number of requests for advice on specific topics was:

UK Special Forces	16	Counter-Terrorism	2
Intelligence Agencies	1	Physical Property & Assets	1
Cyber	9	DSMA Notice System	0
Current & Recent Military Ops	8	Historical	9
Military Equipment	1	Miscellaneous	7
Nuclear Weapons	0		

Counter Terrorism Policing (CTP). Prior to the meeting, the Committee reached consensus on the proposal to incorporate CTP into the DSMA Notice system. It also agreed to specific text changes to standing notice 03 which embody the Committee’s intent. The Secretary was asked to amend the standing notices and promulgate the incorporation.

Presentations. During this period, the Committee’s Secretary delivered DSMA Notice system presentations to:

- 21 May. Representatives from Macquarie University & University of Queensland Law School, Australia.
- 28 May. MOD’s Directorate of Defence Communications.
- 30 May. FCDO.
- 27 Jun. Chartered Institute of Journalists.
- 11 Sep. UKSF Disclosure Cell.
- 3 Oct. GCHQ Press Office.