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THE PRINCESS ROYAL VISITS GCHQ

Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal visited the new GCHQ headquarters today to gain an insight into how the intelligence centre supports British troops.

In her capacity as Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Corps of Signals, The Princess Royal today made a private visit to GCHQ's new headquarters in Cheltenham. The visit focused on how GCHQ protects our military forces, providing them with vital intelligence on a timely basis and ensuring that their communications are secure.

A GCHQ spokesman commented: "It was a great honour to entertain The Princess. She received a number of briefings on our military support function and she was very interested in all aspects of this work."

The GCHQ building, commonly known as the Doughnut, was officially opened by Her Majesty the Queen, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, on Thursday 25 March.

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