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Dear Mr Dawson,

Request for Information under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000

Further to my letter of 20 November, I am writing to provide you with a substantive response to your FOI request, which was originally for "letters and emails between MOD Officials and the Union Prospect concerning the loss of specialist capabilities needed to support the nuclear propulsion programme and the Frame work Agreement Technical Services for the period January 2012 to June 2012". You subsequently clarified that this was referring to "a letter to the Prospect Union on 16 March 2012 signed by 2nd PUS John Day".

As I explained in my previous letter we hold information that falls within the scope of your request. Following a review of this information, I can confirm that we have concluded that none of the FOI exemptions apply, so please find a copy of the letter in its entirety.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Head of Corporate Information, 2nd Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied 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 your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

The Ships and Submarines Team