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Dear Alexander Daniel,

I refer to your request, where you asked:

1. Please make available any correspondence between DExEU and NHS (or NHS-affiliated bodies) relating to the stockpiling of medicines, medical equipment in the case of a no-deal exit from the European Union.

2. Please make available the names of any medicines or medical equipment which might be stockpiled in the case of a no-deal exit from the European Union.

Where possible, I would like information to be provided in excel or spreadsheet format, with the product name/generic medicine name and what it is used for.

3. Please make available any correspondence between DExEU and food or agriculture industry bodies directly relating to the stockpiling of food in the case of a no-deal exit from the European Union.

4. Please make available the names of any industry bodies or companies which have been contacted by DExEU, in direct relation to stockpiling food in the case of a no-deal exit from the European Union.

I can confirm the information you have requested is not held by the Department for Exiting the European Union (DExEU).

1-2) The Department of Health and Social Care has published information relating to 'no deal' Brexit scenario and the potential impact on the supply of medicines, and you may wish to contact them for further information.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/dhsc-publishes-brexit-guidance-for-pharmaceutical-industry-and-suppliers-of-medical-devices>

3-4) The Government does not have any plans to stockpile food. The UK has a high degree

of food security with access to a diverse range of sources of food supply, including domestic production. This will continue to be the case after we leave the EU. The Government is committed to securing the best deal for the food, fishery and farming sectors, whilst ensuring that consumers continue to have a wide range of choice of high quality food products at affordable prices.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the FOI team. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request or wish to request an internal review, you should write to foi@dexeu.gov.uk or:

Freedom of Information Team (internal review)
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If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by DExEU. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wilmslow
Cheshire
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Yours sincerely,
Freedom of Information Team, DExEU.