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Dear Ms Trust,

I am writing about your email of 4 June 2021, requesting the following information:

*Please can you provide a breakdown of the different costs associated with procuring the Ajax Armoured Vehicle programme under FOI law. The figure cited in the media is £5.5bn.*

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD), and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held.

However, the information has previously been published and Section 21(1) of the FOI Act provides that information is exempt if it is reasonably available by other means. The information can be found at the following link:

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-06-04/10609>

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you might find it helpful to note the £5.5bn figure you refer to is the total contract value.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail [CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk](mailto:CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk)). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely,

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