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Dear Mr Van Bergen

Thank you for your email of 10 December 2018, which clarified your earlier request and asked for:

"I hereby request the document or documents — often called memorandum of understanding (MOU) or memorandum of agreement (MOA) and any possible contracts that outline the current relationship between:

- the British Army and 'Philips Crypto,' and/or 'Philips USFA,' and/or 'NV Philips Gloeilampenfabrieken,' and/or Philips;*
- the British Navy and 'Philips Crypto,' and/or 'Philips USFA,' and/or 'NV Philips Gloeilampenfabrieken,' and/or Philips;*
- the Royal Air force and 'Philips Crypto,' and/or 'Philips USFA,' and/or 'NV Philips Gloeilampenfabrieken,' and/or Philips;*
- the British Army and Fox-IT and/or Fox-IT crypto and/or Fox-IT high assurance and/or NCC Group;*
- the British Army and 'Racal datacom ltd' and/or 'Racal'"*

Any current and past contracts and please provide me with an actual copy of the contracts if possible.

While memorandum of understandings and memorandum of agreements can be agreements between government and a foreign government, it's entirely possible it's between various parties, in this case Defence Equipment & Support and the suppliers I ask information from.

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

A search across the Ministry of Defence (MOD) has now been completed, However, it has become clear that I cannot answer your request without further clarification. The MOD has no current open contracts with any of the companies you have listed, however we have located historic contracts for one of the companies listed above. Your original request was specific to the British Army, If you could please confirm whether you are only requesting contract information from the British Army or from across MOD? Please can you advise whether you are requesting full copies of the historic contracts. Please be aware that exemptions may apply if you are requesting full copies of historic contracts.

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). 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,

ISS Secretariat