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Dear Ms Christine

Thank you for your email of 13 August 2015 requesting the following information:

- Details of the presence or removal of asbestos materials in the Glen Douglas Bunker Munitions Depot
- Accident reports, policies and procedures, inspections, risk assessments and notices relating to the above properties.
- Please advise us of any destruction of records and include the date of and authority for such destruction.

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

I am writing to confirm that the Ministry of Defence (MOD) holds the information on the subject you have requested. However, we will not be able to answer your request without exceeding the appropriate limit. This is because to locate, retrieve and extract the information in scope of your request would involve at least 20 days' work.

Section 12 of the Act makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit, which for central government is set at £600. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3.5 working days in determining whether the department holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting it.

The MOD may be able to provide some information in scope of your request if you reduce or refine your request to bring the cost of compliance under the limit. This may be achieved by refining your request to a specific building within the Glen Douglas Bunker Munitions Depot; or giving a specific date in relation to the documents you have requested. Please contact me if you would like to refine your request or require advice on doing so.

Yours sincerely,

DIO Secretariat

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 DIO Secretariat 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 Information Rights Compliance team, 1st 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.org.uk