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Dear Mr Walker

Request for Information - Need for Additional Time to Reply

Your correspondence dated 19 April 2010 has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Your request has been assessed and this letter is to inform you that we believe that the information falls within the scope of a qualified exemption. As such it will be necessary for us to consider whether there are overriding reasons why disclosure would not be in the public interest.

We are considering Qualified Exemption Section 43 (2) FOIA – Commercial Interests – Information that would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person, company, public authority or other legal entity.

We will make a decision on our ability to comply with your request by 17 June 2010 and will inform you immediately thereafter.

If you are unhappy with the response or wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of this request, then you should contact me in the first instance. Should you remain dissatisfied, then you may apply for an internal review by contacting the Director of Information Exploitation, 6th Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB. (email Info-XD@mod.uk)

If you are still unhappy 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 normally 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.informationcommissioner.gov.uk

Yours sincerely,

FOI Manager