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Dear Ms Lovett,

Request for Information: Construction Projects

Thank you for your enquiries of 10 and 11 January 2013. These were passed to the Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) – the Ministry of Defence (MOD) organisation with responsibility for the defence estate – and have been dealt with under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

Firstly, I must apologise that your further clarification was not answered on time. Unfortunately, this appears to have happened due to an administrative error.

You asked for a list of all Royal Navy construction projects (>£500k) completed in the last 5 years and Army construction projects for an undefined period. You specifically asked for the following information:

- Name/ description of project
- Tier 1 Contractor
- Location of project
- Contract form
- Framework Name if Applicable
- Type of work - i.e. refurbishment/ new build/ fit out/
- Contract price for construction
- Final price for construction
- Construction start date
- Initial construction completion date
- Actual construction completion date

While the MOD holds some information within the scope of your enquiries, to provide this does involve the locating and retrieval of numerous records, many of which are archived or are not held centrally or in a consistent form. Therefore compliance with your request can only be achieved at disproportionate cost.

Under the Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations public authorities are able to aggregate two or more requests where they relate to the same or similar information provided certain conditions are met. These are where the FOI requests:

- are made by one person, or by different persons who appear to the public authority to be acting in concert or in pursuance of a campaign;
- are received within any period of 60 consecutive working days.

It has been assessed that the costs involved in providing the information you have requested will exceed the £600 limit. Under the terms of Section 12 of the Act we are not obliged to comply with your request. However, we are required to help you to refine your request. The information can be requested separately under the following headings at 60 day intervals:

- Rosyth
- Operations/ Permanent Joint Operating Bases (overseas) & Faslane
- Northern Ireland
- Landmarc
- Coreworks (Central and East)
- Minor New Works (Central and East)
- UK Projects

We would be grateful if you could let us have your requests in order of preference, remembering you will need to submit your requests every 60 working days.

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 me 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 Head of Corporate Information, 2nd Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOxxxx@xxx.xx). 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, www.ico.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

DIO Secretariat