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Dear Mr Beddard

Thank you for your email of 30 June 2018 concerning Brightwells Ltd MOD disposals. It has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

The information you have requested is provided below:

***Please could you let me know how Brightwells will be selling the spare parts via the task system, Withams used to resort the spares into various cages and as I understand take some parts out to be sold on in other ways Will Brightwells be doing the same or will cages be sold as packed by the military stores and not resorted.***

I can confirm that the Ministry of Defence holds information relevant to your request.

When the Ministry of Defence (MOD) updates its equipment and stores, surplus and obsolete items are sold through the MOD's Defence Equipment Sales Authority (DESA), largely through a network of marketing contractors, so as to achieve the best return for the taxpayer from the disposal of publicly-funded materiel; the contract with Brightwells is no exception.

Brightwells is expected to use its specialist marketing knowledge to achieve the best possible financial return and providing the sale is in full accordance with the terms and conditions of their contract, the DESA would not dictate how that sale is achieved. Therefore, we do not hold information on the more detailed aspects of your request.

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 Deputy Chief Information Officer, 2nd 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.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely

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