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## References:

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FOI2019/02114  
FOI2019/02115

**Mr Jonathan Garbett**

E-mail: **See below**

Date: **13 March 2019**

Dear Mr Garbett,

Your six correspondences dated 15 February 2019 have been considered to be requests for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). You requested the following information:

**FOI2019/02109** ([request-552810-afced486@whatdotheyknow.com](mailto:request-552810-afced486@whatdotheyknow.com))

*In the MoD report "The Defence Equipment Plan 2018" a graph is provided on page 22 entitled "Navy Command Equipment Plan outturn and Allocated Budget". Can I ask for a list of all the Cat A and B projects included in each of the categories shown on the graphs.*

**FOI2019/02110** ([request-552812-2c58ec64@whatdotheyknow.com](mailto:request-552812-2c58ec64@whatdotheyknow.com))

*In the MoD report "The Defence Equipment Plan 2018" a graph is provided on page 24 entitled "Army Command Equipment Plan outturn and Allocated Budget". Can I ask for a list of all the Cat A and B projects included in each of the categories shown on the graphs.*

**FOI2019/02111** ([request-552813-03333a8f@whatdotheyknow.com](mailto:request-552813-03333a8f@whatdotheyknow.com))

*In the MoD report "The Defence Equipment Plan 2018" a graph is provided on page 26 entitled "Air Command Equipment Plan outturn and Allocated Budget". Can I ask for a list of all the Cat A and B projects included in each of the categories shown on the graphs.*

**FOI2019/02113** ([request-552814-5eb74629@whatdotheyknow.com](mailto:request-552814-5eb74629@whatdotheyknow.com))

*In the MoD report "The Defence Equipment Plan 2018" a graph is provided on page 28 entitled "Joint Forces Command Equipment Plan outturn and Allocated Budget". Can I ask for a list of all the Cat A and B projects included in each of the categories shown on the graphs.*

**FOI2019/02114** ([request-552815-d28f12d2@whatdotheyknow.com](mailto:request-552815-d28f12d2@whatdotheyknow.com))

*In the MoD report "The Defence Equipment Plan 2018" a graph is provided on page 30 entitled "Defence Nuclear Organisation Command Equipment Plan outturn and Allocated Budget". Can I*

*ask for a list of all the Cat A and B projects included in each of the categories shown on the graphs.*

**FOI2019/02115** (request-552817-5f2d9a7a@whatdotheyknow.com)

*In the MoD report "The Defence Equipment Plan 2018" a graph is provided on page 32 entitled "Strategic Programmes Equipment Plan outturn and Allocated Budget". Can I ask for a list of all the Cat A and B projects included in each of the categories shown on the graphs.*

Under the FOIA Regulations public authorities are able to aggregate two or more requests made by one person where they relate to any extent, to the same or similar information. Therefore, the requests above have all been grouped together.

This letter is to inform you that the Ministry of Defence (MOD) holds information related to your requests, but that we believe the information may fall within the scope of the following qualified exemptions: section 24 (National Security) and section 26 (Defence). As such it is necessary for us to decide whether, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

The FOIA requires us to respond to requests promptly and in any case no later than 20 working days after receiving your request. However, when a qualified exemption applies to the information and the public interest test has to be conducted, the Act allows the time for response to be longer than 20 working days. A full response must be provided within such time as is reasonable in all circumstances of the case and, in relation to your request, we estimate that it will take an additional 20 working days to take a final decision on where the balance of public interest lies. We therefore plan to let you have a response by 12 April 2019. If it appears that it will take longer than this to reach a conclusion we will let you know.

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.uk](mailto:CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk)). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly 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. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

I hope you find this helpful.

Yours sincerely,

Defence Resources Secretariat