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Dear Mr Binge,

Thank you for your email of 5<sup>th</sup> August requesting the following information:

*I wish to make a Freedom of Information request for the following documents to be released:*

AESP 1385-B-114-201-Operating information  
AESP 1385-B-114-211-Aide memoire  
AESP 1385-B-114-302-TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION  
AESP 1385-B-114-512-FAILURE DIAGNOSIS  
AESP 1385-B-114-522-MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS  
AESP 1385-B-114-601-MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE  
AESP 1385-B-114-711-ILLUSTRATED PARTS CATALOGUE  
AESP 1385-B-114-741-COMplete EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE  
AESP 1385-B-114-811-MODIFICATION INSTRUCTIONS  
AESP 1385-B-114-821-GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

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

I am writing to confirm that MOD holds the information on the subject you have requested. Further to our letter dated 21<sup>st</sup> September 2016, we have continued work on your request. However, due to the scope of your request we have determined that to complete the redactions under section 26 of the Act will take in excess of 30 days. Section 14 of the Act provides a Public Authority with the option to refuse a request if it is deemed to impose a grossly oppressive burden. Each of the publications you have requested requires thousands of individual redactions.

Under Section 16 of the Act you might find it helpful to note that it may be possible for the MOD to provide some information if you reduce or refine your request. However, it is difficult to suggest a way in which this could be achieved without exceeding the appropriate limit under Section 12 of the Act. 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. Each document requested would exceed this limit.

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

Information Rights Compliance team, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 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>.

Yours sincerely,

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