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Dear Mr Nicholas Wells

Freedom of information request: Weather modification In UK

Thank you for your email, dated 2nd June 2014, where you requested the following information:

Further to your response dated 23 July 2013, I would be most grateful if you would elaborate further on the types of weather modifications referred to in the Royal Society report you reference as I was unable to locate these.

Also, are any of these weather modification techniques being deployed in or above the UK, or have they been in the last 10 years?

Your request has been considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIRs) as the information you have sought disclosure of does, in our view, fall within the definition of 'environmental information' as stated in the EIRs.

Under the EIRs you have the right to:

- know whether we hold the information you require
- be provided with that information (subject to any exceptions under the Regulations which may apply).

In response to your first question, section 1.4 on page 4 of the Royal Society report highlights historical attempts to stimulate rain and to divert hurricanes.

Following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that this Department does not hold any record of any weather modification techniques being deployed in or above the UK currently or over the last 10 years.



Appeals Procedure

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within 40 working days of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be sent to the Information Rights Unit at:

Information Rights Unit
Department for Business, Innovation & Skills
1 Victoria Street
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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely,

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