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Dear Mr Jackson,

I am writing about your email of 02 April 2023, requesting the following information:

Could you please let me know the information you hold for my military bike. It's a Honda xr250 the frame number is JH2ME08A3VM100343 it also has a contact plate on the frame Contact No LV2B490 Item 22 C J BALL 1352 Any help I would be deeply grateful

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI Act). A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD), but I have been unable to locate any records.

Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance) of the FOI Act, I can advise that the Honda XR 250 motorcycles purchased by the MOD under contract LV2B/490 were given the asset code NB10124103 for asset management purposes. Most of these motorcycles were purchased for use by 5 Airborne Brigade and 24 AIRMOBILE Brigade, prior to the formation of 16 Air Assault Brigade. The histories of the majority of these motorcycles have been declassified and published in the response to FOI2018/08332 in July 2018. You can see the published FOI response via this link: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/foi-responses-published-by-mod-week-commencing-09-july-2018">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/foi-responses-published-by-mod-week-commencing-09-july-2018</a>

I have noted in my search that a number of the NB10124103 motorcycles do not appear to have had their complete frame numbers recorded on MERLIN, and that some frame numbers may not have been recorded correctly.

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.gov.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 **Defence Equipment & Support** 

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 <a href="https://ico.org.uk/">https://ico.org.uk/</a>.

Yours sincerely,

DE&S Policy Secretariat