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Dear Nicola

Your communication dated 17 June 2010 is considered to be a request for information under the *Freedom of Information Act 2000*.

Please find below the information requested regarding the procurement of Construction Services at the UKHO.

1. How you procure Construction Consultancy Services

For the provision of our facility related services including new build and consultancy, our services are procured via a company called Debut (a consortium of Babcock & Bovis). The Regional Prime Contract (South West) was awarded through an open competition to Debut. This is a 7-year contract at the end of which the contract will be re-competed. The contract covers all MoD establishments in the South West.

2. How you procure Construction Contractors

We previously started using the OJEU Competitive Dialogue process (i.e. UK Public Procurement Regulations) to engage with such contractors and would probably use this again should the need arise in future.

3. If by your own framework, please tell me:

Not used or set up our own framework and would not have need to. Therefore answers to sub questions below are not applicable.

- a. The titles and content of the relevant frameworks
- b. Who is on the current frameworks
- c. The start and end dates of the frameworks
- d. Any possible extension periods to the frameworks
- e. The name and contact email of person responsible for the

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Yours sincerely

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