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Mr Colbert request-673091-2e91a68b@whatdotheyknow.com

Dear Mr Colbert,

Thank you for your email of 29<sup>th</sup> June 2020 requesting the following information:

'I'm writing to you requesting information under the Freedom of Information act (2000) relating to the potential involvement of Palantir in the MoD (Jhub) initiative entitled Project OASIS, and of the specifics of the programs use and retention of patient data:

- 1) Which apps in total are being used to consolidate this patient data? as the ones currently listed indicate more third party apps were soon to be added, could use please list every app associated with this project?
- 2) Which data sets are the apps combining specifically, could you please list these.
- 3) Given that Palantir have undertaken previous work for the Ministry of Defence, have the company or members of its staff had any involvement in Project OASIS?
- 4) If yes, can you please specify the nature of this involvement?
- 5) Will Palantir systems or products be used in conjunction with Project OASIS? Either with or without the MoD acting as a data controller?
- 6) Will Palantir have access to this data via the NHSX COVID-19 response datastore?
- 7) Will Palantir systems and/or products be used by the upcoming National Cyber Force (NCF) when it is set up? If so, can you please specify the nature of Palantir involvement in this?'

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

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD), and I can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held and detailed below in response to each question:

- 1) The following apps have been approved for the platform:
  - Covid-19 "Ask Zoe"
  - Evergreen-Life
  - Let's beat Covid
  - Track Together
  - Corona-Help
  - Ink C19 Agitate

- 2) The attached schema shows which data sets are combined in the apps:
- 3) Palantir have had no involvement in Project OASIS
- 4) Not applicable, Palantir have no involvement in Project OASIS
- 5) The MOD is not the data controller for Project OASIS. The project was established under the auspices of the NHS. MOD personnel offered to build the platform in support of the NHS when the calls on their time were numerous.
- 6) NHS are the data controller and access to the data is controlled by them.
- 7) In terms of whether Palantir will or will not have any involvement in the upcoming National Cyber Force (NCF), tetails of any UK capability in this area would be of considerable interest to any hostile power and would assist that power in devising countermeasures or give it reassurance that no counter measures were necessary. It would remove uncertainty and assist in the planning or execution of any hostile action. This would therefore prejudice the capability effectiveness and security of British forces".

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Yours sincerely

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