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Dear Mr Lloyd,

Thank you for your correspondence of 28 January 2019 requesting the following information:

*I wish to see a full of the document 'Project Zircon: communications satellite' (DEFE 68/1151)*

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). We apologise for the delay in replying.

I can confirm that the MOD holds this file but that Section 23 of the FOIA applies and therefore the information will be withheld. Section 23 is an absolute exemption and does not require a Public Interest Test.

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Yours sincerely,

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