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Dear Mr Hill,

Thank you for your email dated 16 December 2018, which requested the following information:

I would be grateful if you could provide Parts A and B of the Mk10B ejection seat Certificate of Correctness of Engineering Data. (Or equivalent). To assist you, the Certificate forms part of the cover sheet of the Master Design Index. If you are not permitted to do so, perhaps because of confidentiality, could you please confirm the Certificate exists, and when it was first issued.

We sought clarification and you provided the following:

Thank you for your reply. The Defence Standard is 05-125/2, which was mandated in all aviation contracts until its demise in (I believe) 2015. Chapter 8.2 refers - 'Form D1/PDS: Certificate of Correctness of Engineering Data'. But the principle of certifying correctness is universal, and different methods may be employed. While 125 may ostensibly be about 'Electronics', it is a Sea/Land/Air Standard and routinely applied, and adapted where necessary, to non-electronic contracts.

A search has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD), and I can confirm that we have been unable to find information in scope of your request.

Under Section 16 of the Act (advice and assistance), you may wish to note, however, that for Air Systems, the current standard of regulatory documents are Regulatory Articles (RA) produced by the Military Aviation Authority (MAA). The MAA library references all of the "legacy" documents that are relevant and were referenced during the production of the RAs; this includes the following Defence Standards:

- (1) 5-122
- (2) 05-123
- (3) 05-130
- (4) 00-133

You will note that Defence Standard 05-125 is not listed as required or used for Air Systems as a legacy document.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

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Yours sincerely, DE&S Secretariat