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Dear Mr Boston-Dunn,

Thank you for your email of 30th July 2018 requesting the following information:

I have bought a land rover snatch 2a and I'm currently going to all efforts to restore it. I am finding very little information and seem to be missing some parts. I would like to request for such diagrams as Wiring Diagrams A/c set up Engine diagrams etc.

This will help me restore it back to its former glory.

You subsequently clarified this on 17th September with the following:

I'm currently after such wiring diagrams of the engine and air conditioning. I would appreciate it if you could supply the hose layout for air conditioning and maintenance info for vehicle in general. I pride myself on restoring military vehicles for shows so such diagrams will be of great importance.

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

I can confirm that the Ministry of Defence may hold some of the information you requested. However, I have to advise you that we will not be able to answer your request without exceeding the appropriate limit. This is because to extract information in scope of your request would involve the review of some 1,400 pages of data within the Snatch Maintenance documentation which would take at least 6-man days of effort.

Section 12 of the FOI Act makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit, which for central government is set at £600. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3.5 working days in determining whether the Department holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting it.

Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance), it is worth noting that, as you may know, Snatch is still in service with the Armed Forces, as such there is often potential sensitivities around some of the maintenance information. This is because release of such information in the public domain could put service personnel using these vehicles at risk. It is possible, therefore, that selected sections of the Snatch maintenance documentation would be redacted or withheld.

The MOD may be able to provide some information in scope of your request if you reduce or refine your request to bring the cost of compliance under the limit. For instance, it might be possible to support you in your restoration project if you were to request the repair information for some of the following areas;

- Clutch
- Gearbox
- Transfer box
- Front axle
- Rear axle and ARB differential locking system
- Power assisted steering
- Suspension

- Wheels and tyres
- Braking system
- Fuel and exhaust

Please contact me if you would like to refine your request or require further advice on doing do.

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 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 <https://ico.org.uk/>

Yours sincerely,

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