



Mr Jonathan Mantle
by e-mail

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Dear Mr Mantle,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Thank you for your email of 20 February 2016, where you requested the following information:

Does the UK space agency use open source \ freeware for any of its computer systems?

We have now completed a search of our paper and electronic records and I can confirm that the Agency holds the information you have requested.

The laptops which are used by the UK Space Agency do contain open source software such as 7-Zip and users are also enabled to download Password Safe which is also open source. The two examples given above are used by UK Space Agency users however the Agency does not hold or have access to an exclusive list of the software available.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

David Parker, CEO
UK Space Agency
Room C204
Polaris House
North Star Avenue
Swindon, SN2 1SZ

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T Clark'.

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