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Dear Ms Pasteur

RE: Freedom of Information Request – Reference 2016/14559

Thank you for your email of 16 June 2016 where you requested the following information:

I would be grateful if it is possible to share with me the outcome report of this project (Cyber Security: Product Assurance Scoping Work) which was commissioned by Thales recently on behalf of DECC.

We can confirm that the Department holds information falling within the terms of your request; however we need more time to consider your request.

The Freedom of Information Act ('the Act') obliges us to respond to requests promptly and in any case not later than 20 working days after receiving your request. However, when a 'qualified' exemption applies to the information and an accompanying public interest test is engaged, section 10(3) of the Act allows the time for response to be extended, in which case a full response must be provided within such time as is reasonable in all circumstances. The exemption which applies to the information that you have requested is:

Section 43

Section 43(2) provides that information may be exempt information, subject to the public interest test, if the release of the information would, or would be likely

to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person, including the public authority holding.

The Department has not yet reached a decision on the balance of the public interest. Due to the need to consider, in all the circumstances of the case, where the balance of the public interest lies in relation to the information that you have requested, the Department will not be able to respond to your request in full within 20 working days.

We hope to let you have a response by 11 August 2016 or sooner if possible.

Appeals Procedure

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 40 working days of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be sent to the Information Rights Unit at:

Information Rights Unit
Department for Business, Innovation & Skills
1 Victoria Street
London
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E-mail: foi.requests@bis.gsi.gov.uk

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

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,

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