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Dear Mr Roberts

Thank you for your enquiry of 17 April 2019 in which you said the following:

“Thankyou for your response, where you stated that there is data from at least 1993, that Pertusis was NOT used simultaneously with Anthrax on our troops.

Please provide the information/data on which troops and their location/s were exposed to Pertusis and Anthrax combination post Gulf War 1991 to the time in 1993 (the data which allowed MOD to state the above)

Your enquiry has been treated as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

A search of Ministry of Defence (MOD) policy was undertaken in response to your previous request and this concluded that from at least 1993, there was no MOD policy to administer the Anthrax vaccine with a pertussis adjuvant. The search did not reveal what the policy was before 1993.

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,

