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Our Reference:  
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Dear [REDACTED]

Your email dated 30 September 2013 is considered to be a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You requested the following information:

I would like to apply under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for the following information:

- ◆ The top 100 suppliers by value to the Ministry of Defence in the 2012-13 financial year, and the total amount spent with each;
- ◆ The total amount spent with all suppliers during this financial year;
- ◆ Whether or not these figures include VAT.

I can confirm that the Ministry of Defence (MOD) holds information relevant to your request. However, I am withholding the information under Absolute exemption S.21 of the FOIA which exempts information that is accessible to the applicant by other means. The MOD has published a list of all suppliers with whom it has committed expenditure of over £5 million (VAT exclusive) for financial year 2012-13. This list, which includes the top 100 suppliers, can be found at the link:

<http://www.dasa.mod.uk/index.php/publications/finance-and-economics/industry-trade-and-contracts/2013>

If you are not satisfied with this response or wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Deputy Chief Information Officer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail [CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk](mailto:CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk)). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

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