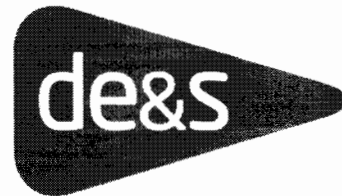




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Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your email of 24 July 2014 about ammunition purchases for the British Army. It has been handled as a request in accordance with the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act. The details of your request are:

Please provide the following:

- 1) The number of 5.56x45mm cartridges purchased by the British Army during 2013-2014.*
- 2) The number of 7.62x51mm cartridges purchased by the British Army during 2013-2014.*

A search has been carried out of records held by the Ministry of Defence (MOD) and I can confirm that the information is held.

During Financial Year 2013/14, 113 million rounds of 5.56x45mm ammunition and 19 million rounds of 7.62x51mm ammunition were purchased for use by the British Army.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you 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 Information Rights Compliance team, 1st Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail 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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