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Email to: [REDACTED]

Reference: ISS/COS/2014/02960

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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your email of 1 July 2014 seeking the following information:

"Please could you provide a list of all contracts to-date that the government has placed with private companies relating to the BOWMAN Communication System. Please could you provide the contract number & title, start & end data of contract, the contract recipient and its value. If you have any notes about details of the services rendered, I would greatly appreciate them, however this is not essential to the fulfillment of my request.."

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD), and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held.

On the covering email attaching this letter, I have provided an Excel spreadsheet which provides you with the list of contracts that have been placed to date for the BOWMAN Communications System. In line with your request, I have provided the contract numbers and titles, start and end dates of each contract, the contract recipient and its value. Given that the list contains nearly 100 contracts, I have not provided details of the services each contract rendered since you have stated that this is not essential and to do so would incur disproportionate cost.

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 Deputy Chief Information Officer, 2nd 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,
Information Systems and Services HQ
Policy Secretariat