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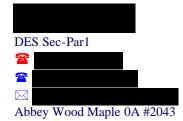
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Colin

This looks like a FOI request for you. Please confirm if you will accept for answer.

Kind regards



From:

Sent: 28 October 2010 16:28

To: DES Sec-FOI (MULTIUSER);

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Dear Focal Point(s)

The Freedom of Information (FOI) request for information (RFI) below has been placed with you, but not confirmed on the Access to Information Toolkit (AIT). [insert details here, of which area should answer which part of the RFI, if it has been broken into different sections]

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If you consider another area is more appropriate to respond or lead, then please contact the FOI Helpdesk immediately. Please engage with the FOI Helpdesk at all times when you are looking to place a request elsewhere.

This request will be automatically allocated to your area, on AIT, after three working days, if the FOI Helpdesk receives no receipt or evidence of action to place the request elsewhere. The FOI Helpdesk will be pleased to assist during this process.

If you are copied into this email, you may be a relevant contributor to the response and you should liaise with the lead respondent.

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If you have any concerns, or require any assistance with FOI, please contact CIO-CI-Access Operations, we are here to help.

Best regards

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From:

Sent: 28 October 2010 16:05 To: CIO-FOI (MULTIUSER)

Subject: FOI request: aircraft carriers PF 28-10-2010-162533-005

Dear FOI Officer,

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

Ref. 437/2010

Please disclose under the FOI Act the following information related to the contract to buy two aircraft carriers:

- Copies of the "terms of business" agreements with BAE Systems and Thales of France.
- Copies of the contracts for the construction of the two aircraft carriers with BAE Systems and Thales of France.

Please redact any necessary information that cannot be disclosed, stating the relevant exemptions and reasons why this information cannot be disclosed. Then provide the rest of the documents. I expect you to provide redacted copies, rather than declining my request completely by applying exemptions in a blanket fashion.

However, where personal information, such as names of senior civil servants, is involved; I expect this to be disclosed, and not redacted. Only junior officials' names should be redacted.

Please send me the information by email to

Please ensure you acknowledge receipt of this request.

Many thanks,

Freedom of Information Researcher 6<sup>th</sup> floor, 4 Millbank, London, SW1P 3JQ

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