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Thank you for your letter of 23 January 2016 requesting the following information:

"I was driving North on the A1 on 2 December 2015 at around lunchtime, and somewhere between Newark and Worksop I passed a convoy, travelling in the left hand lane of the dual carriageway at around 55 mph.

The convoy was closely spaced and consisted of the following 13 vehicles, starting from the back:

1st police motorcyclist

Fire engine

1st armoured police van (like a securicor van)

1st military armoured van (like the police van but olive drab colour)

1st olive drab military artie. tractor unit and covered semi-trailer

2nd military armoured van

2nd identical military tractor/semi-trailer

3rd military armoured van

3rd identical military tractor/semi-trailer

4th military armoured van

4th identical military tractor/semi-trailer

2nd armoured police van

2nd police motorcycle

All the artie drivers' doors were padlocked on the outside and none of the military vehicles had any plates denoting their load, or any other identifying markings. It was all very mysterious, especially the padlocked cabs.

I wonder if you can cast any light on what I was sharing the road with."

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

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A search for the information has now been completed, and I can confirm that the Ministry of Defence holds information that falls within scope of your request. The convoy you describe constitutes part of the programme for the transport of defence nuclear material within the UK.

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.

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Yours sincerely



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