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Dear ██████████,

Thank you for your email dated 28 August 2015. You asked:

***Who manufactures and who supplies the individual shelters (also known as bashas) that are issued to service personnel? Has this changed in the last 10 years and if so who were the previous suppliers?***

I am treating your letter as a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information 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.

Ilasco Limited, under contract, currently manufactures and supplies shelter sheets (also known as bashas) for the UK Armed Forces. The previous contract, which expired in July 2014, was let to Seyntex for eight years. Prior to that company the shelter sheets were supplied by Franklins.

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, 1<sup>st</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.

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Yours sincerely

  
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