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Your Reference:

Our Reference: FOI2016/04985 Date: 1 June 2016

Dear

Your email dated 6<sup>th</sup> May 2016 is considered to be a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You requested the following information:

Please provide a summary of all contracts and their values with Scott Safety since 2010

Scott Safety UK Pimbo Road West Pimbo Skelmersdale, Lancashire WN8 9RA

Please provide a summary of all contracts and their values with Anderco since 2010

Anderco Head Office 52 Eastgate Drive, Little Island Cork

I can confirm that the Ministry of Defence (MOD) holds information relevant to your request. A search of the Defence Bill Payments database determined that there were a total of six contracts within the scope of you request, of which five contracts were awarded to Scott Health & Safety Ltd and a single contract awarded to Anderco Safety (Ireland) Ltd.

Details for five of the six contracts have been already published either in response to previous FOI requests or through Contracts Finder. It was considered, however, that details of the remaining contract could fall within the scope of qualified exemption Section 26 (Defence of the UK and capabilty, effectiveness and security of the Armed Forces). As such it was necessary to undertake a Public Interest Test (PIT) to determine whether, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

The PIT weighed the arguments in favour of release of the presumption under the FOIA of disclosure and the public interest of transparency in government accountability; against whether the release of information would reveal sensitivities that would assist potential enemies of the UK. The balance of public interest concluded that for this single contract there was a public interest in not releasing details that could prejudice the defence of the UK or the capability,

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effectiveness or security of our Armed Forces. Accordingly, the relevant information has been redacted under Sections 26(1)(a) and 26(1)(b) of the FOIA. The level of prejudice against release of the exempted information has been set at the lower level of 'would be likely to'

As a result, details of contracts awarded since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010 are given in the table below.

Contract Number	Contract Title	Contract Start Date	Current Contract End Date	Current Total Contract Value	Current Vendor Name
DC/04010	SUPPLY OF RESPIRATORY PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT	19 Mar 13	18 Mar 17	382,573.00	ANDERCO SAFETY (IRELAND) LTD
CBRN/00077	GENERAL SERVICE RESPIRATOR (GSR) IN-SERVICE SUPPORT	26 May 10	30 Apr 16	16,035,216.00	SCOTT HEALTH & SAFETY LTD
MCS3A/3501	EDBA 7 YEAR IN SERVICE SUPPORT CONTRACT	1 Oct 14	30 Sep 21	7,643,000.00	SCOTT HEALTH & SAFETY LTD
UEW2C/2003	EXTENDED DURATION BREATHING APPARATUS (IN-SERVICE SUPPORT)	10 Oct 11	30 Sep 14	5,035,000.00	SCOTT HEALTH & SAFETY LTD
DC2B/2576	RESPIRATORY PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT	19 Mar 13	18 Apr 17	748,739.00	SCOTT HEALTH & SAFETY LTD
	SUPPLY OF SPARES	30 Mar 12	18 May 12	2,185.00	SCOTT HEALTH & SAFETY LTD

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, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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, <a href="http://www.ico.org.uk">http://www.ico.org.uk</a>.

Yours sincerely,