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Thank you for your email of 7 September 2017 requesting the following information:

"What number of staff in your department are paid through umbrella companies? What number of staff in your department are hired through recruitment agencies? What number of staff in your department are on temporary contracts? Which recruitment agencies does your department use? What number of staff in your department are paid through the following companies: Parasol Ltd? Danbro Ltd? Giant? Which other companies are staff employed in your department paid through, and what is the number of staff per company?"

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

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

For ease of reference, our responses are provided against each of your questions in turn, below.

What number of staff in your department are paid through umbrella companies?
 Information not held by Dstl.

Dstl uses the Contingent Labour One (CLOne) Framework for all Contracted Temporary Worker (CTW) requirements. CLOne is a Crown Commercial Services (CCS) Framework; LOT1 was awarded to Capita Business Services.

- 2. What number of staff in your department are hired through recruitment agencies? Dstl does not use recruitment agencies for permanent or fixed-term roles. Dstl uses the CLOne Framework for all CTW requirements.
- 3. What number of staff in your department are on temporary contracts? At the end of August 2017, there were 132 contracted temporary worker contracts all via the CLOne Framework.
- 4. Which recruitment agencies does your department use?
 Dstl does not use recruitment agencies for permanent or fixed-term roles.

Dstl uses the CLOne Framework for all CTW requirements.

5. What number of staff in your department are paid through the following companies:

- Parasol Ltd?
- Danbro Ltd?
- Giant?

No permanent or fixed-term employees are paid through these named companies. With regards to CTWs, this information is not held by Dstl - Dstl uses the CLOne Framework for all CTW requirements.

6. Which other companies are staff employed in your department paid through, and what is the number of staff per company?

No permanent or fixed-term employees are paid through other companies. With regards to CTWs, this information is not held by Dstl - Dstl uses the CLOne Framework for all CTW requirements.

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Yours sincerely

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