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Thank you for your e-mail of 16 March 2017, requesting the following information:

I am making the following request under the Freedom of Information Act.

Please tell me how the data acquired from the Trimble devices that are fitted in all MoD White Fleet cars is stored and used. Is this supplied to outside agencies such as civilian police or prosecuting authorities? and under what circumstances? Please also tell me the reasons for the devices being updated and replaced at the moment, and the total cost of doing so.

I am 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 I can confirm that some information, in scope of your request is held.

The answers to your questions are as follows:

- a. The data from Trimble devices was stored on secure servers. It was used to observe trends as well as track the utilization of vehicles to allow for efficiencies to be made. It was also used to manage instances of alleged inappropriate driving.
- b. The data would have been given to outside agencies in cases where an incident may have occurred if requested by the relevant authorities.
- c. The prime contractor was responsible for placing sub-contracts under PHOENIX I and, likewise, is responsible under PHOENIX II. Therefore, the decision on the telematics device lies with the prime contractor.
- d. The cost of the Trimble system under PHOENIX I was £4.6 Million (ex VAT) inclusive of the installation cost. The cost to date of Microlise under PHOENIX II is £1.3 Million (ex VAT) inclusive of the fitting of the systems.

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, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall,

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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, http://www.ico.org.uk.

Yours Sincerely

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