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Dear f

Thank you for your email of 19 May 2017 requesting the following information:

*Thank you for the response, however there is no list of subcontractors or suppliers within the pages you have directed to, all i can find is MOD and Aspire defence, please could i request a comprehensive list of all subcontractors and suppliers involved with the building and refurbishment works?*

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

Our records show that you previously submitted a request for the same or similar information on 25 April 2017 which the Department complied with in its response of 18 May 2017. The Department's position has not changed since that response and consequently it is not obliged to comply with your current request under the terms of section 14(2) of the Act.

This provision exempts public authorities from complying with requests for identical or substantially similar information which has previously been requested unless a reasonable period has elapsed between the requests. Given the nature of the information held in scope of this request, it is unreasonable to expect that the Department's position is likely to change from that advised in our previous response. The Department will not therefore consider any further requests from you on this subject.

However, under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that the links provided in our response of 18 May 2017 show that the Contractor for Project Allenby Connaught is Aspire Defence Ltd with their Sub Contractors being Aspire Defence Capital Works and Aspire Defence Services. As explained in our previous correspondence, Aspire Defence Capital Works allows construction companies and Small and Medium Enterprises to bid for elements of construction work. The Ministry of Defence does not hold details of these companies, they are not named in the contract and we do not hold a project directory for Project Allenby Connaught.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB

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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 normally 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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