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Thank you for your email sent 18 September 2017, which the Ministry of Defence (MOD) acknowledged on 27 September 2017, requesting the following information:

"I would like to request a list of people who are employed by private defence companies who have passes which mean they can access Ministry of Defence buildings in Whitehall. These companies include but are not limited to: BAE Systems, Raytheon, Lockheed Martin, Leonardo-Finmeccanica, Boeing, Airbus, Rolls-Royce, Qinetiq, Thales, Babcock, MBDA, General Dynamics, Cobham, Atkins, HP, AWE, Bechtel, Ultra Electronics and Marshall Aerospace.

For context, the purpose of this request is to find out if any employees of defence companies have passes - the purpose of this request is not for a list of people employed by contracts to do tasks such as cleaning, estate maintenance etc.

If it is not possible to give me the names of those with passes - please tell me the total number of people with passes from each company."

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

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

Please see below Table which lists the number of passes issued to employees of defence companies which are valid and active for entry to Ministry of Defence buildings in Whitehall as at 16 October 2017.

| Company | Number of Valid/Active Passes as at 16 October 2017 – for entry to Ministry of Defence buildings in Whitehall |
|-------------------|--|
| Airbus | 7 |
| Atkins | 2 |
| BAE | 19 |
| BT | 14 |
| CAPITA | 84 |
| DXC | 24 |
| Fujitsu | 50 |
| Leonardo | 13 |
| Lockheed Martin | 2 |
| MBDA | 6 |
| NG Bailey | 1 |
| PA Consulting | 15 |
| SERCO | 6 |
| STS Defence | 1 |
| Ultra Electronics | 1 |

Units within MOD buildings in Whitehall identify contractors who need to have access on a regular basis as this is in the business interests of MOD and the unit sponsors the individual for a pass. All contractors undergo the appropriate vetting before a pass is issued.

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 the Directorate of Security and Resilience 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, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.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, <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

Directorate of Security and Resilience