



Ministry of Defence

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Email: [REDACTED]

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email dated 14 February 2018 to the Ministry of Defence in which you requested the following information:

1. Since the DOD has changed the vaccine amounts (Anthrax and any other) and the period it administers them to 18 months has there been a significant reduction in Gulf War Symptom Complaints let's say in the last 2/8 years in comparison to years 1990-2000

2. Do the Security Services hold a file (Hard copy/Digital/Medical/Mental Health) on [REDACTED] regarding the experimental injections [REDACTED] was ordered to take during the Gulf War

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI Act). A review of our data holdings has been completed and I can confirm no information is held with the scope of your request.

Section 16 of the FOIA sets out the duty on public authorities to provide advice and assistance, as far as it is reasonable to expect the public authority to do so, to anyone who is considering, or has made, a request for information to it. As I hope you can appreciate the vast majority of Service personnel deployed to the 1990/91 Gulf Conflict are now veterans. Responsibility for the provision of healthcare for veterans would fall under the auspices of the National Health Service.

I have placed below a link from the National Archives regarding the Gulf War immunisation programme which may be of assistance to your enquiry:

<http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20050329015854/http://www.mod.uk/issuess/gulfwar/>.

All veterans are able to obtain their Service Records, information on how to obtain such records is in the public domain at:

<https://www.gov.uk/get-copy-military-service-records>,

If you wish to contact the Security Services, you may find the following links useful:

<https://www.mi5.gov.uk/>. <https://www.sis.gov.uk/> <https://www.gchq.gov.uk/who-we-are>.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance

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Yours sincerely,

(Original Signed)
Defence People Secretariat