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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your e-mail of 25 October 2018 asking for details of the UK's Grob Viking fleet. Specifically, you requested:

*"... the current serial numbers, manufacturers serial/construction numbers, squadron and base location for each UK Grob Viking.*

*For the purposes of (1):*

- *Current serial number is the aircraft identifying marking, for example starting ZE followed by three numbers.*
- *Manufacturers serial number/construction number is the identifying number assigned to the airframe by the manufacturer.*
- *Squadron is the British Royal Air Force, Air Training Corps, Army Air Corps or Fleet Air Arm unit, that the aircraft is nominally assigned to.*
- *Base location is the airbase that the aircraft is nominally stationed at, either in the UK or abroad."*

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence and I can confirm that information within the scope of your request is held and which I attach as an annex to this letter.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may wish to note that the MOD's fleet of Grob Viking gliders is allocated to Number 2 Flying Training School (2 FTS). The table includes all remaining airframes including those in long term storage and varying states of recovery and operability. Locations may change on a regular basis to allow for maintenance or changing operating priorities.

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

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request 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.uk](mailto:CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk)). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely



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**Annex to FOI 2018/13430**

<b>Tail Number</b>	<b>Build Number</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Location</b>
ZE495	33879	2 FTS	RAF Kirknewton
ZE496	33880	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE498	33882	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE499	33883	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE502	33886	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE503	33887	2 FTS	Marshall Aerospace Cambridge
ZE504	33888	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE520	33889	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE521	33890	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE522	33891	2 FTS	Southern Sailplanes Membury Airfield
ZE524	33893	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE526	33895	2 FTS	Southern Sailplanes Membury Airfield
ZE527	33896	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE528	33897	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE529	33898	2 FTS	Southern Sailplanes Membury Airfield
ZE530	33899	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE531	33900	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE532	33906	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE533	33907	2 FTS	RAF Syerston (Storage)
ZE551	33910	2 FTS	Southern Sailplanes Membury Airfield
ZE552	33911	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE553	33912	2 FTS	Ternhill Barracks
ZE554	33913	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE555	33914	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE557	33916	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE558	33917	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE559	33923	2 FTS	RAF Kirknewton
ZE560	33924	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE561	33925	2 FTS	Southern Sailplanes Membury Airfield
ZE562	33926	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE563	33927	2 FTS	RAF Syerston (Storage)
ZE564	33928	2 FTS	Southern Sailplanes Membury Airfield
ZE584	33931	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE585	33932	2 FTS	Southern Sailplanes Membury Airfield
ZE586	33933	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE587	33934	2 FTS	Upavon Airfield
ZE590	33937	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE591	33938	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE593	33940	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE594	33942	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE595	33943	2 FTS	Southern Sailplanes Membury Airfield
ZE600	33944	2 FTS	Southern Sailplanes Membury Airfield
ZE601	33945	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE602	33946	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE603	33947	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE604	33948	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE605	33949	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE606	33955	2 FTS	RAF Syerston (Storage)
ZE607	33956	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE608	33957	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE609	33958	2 FTS	RAF Syerston

ZE610	33959	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE611	33960	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE613	33962	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE614	33969	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington
ZE625	33969	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE626	33970	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE627	33971	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE628	33975	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington
ZE629	33976	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE630	33977	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE631	33978	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE632	33979	2 FTS	Upavon Airfield
ZE633	33980	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE636	33996	2 FTS	Southern Sailplanes Membury Airfield
ZE637	33997	2 FTS	Ternhill Barracks
ZE650	33998	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE651	33999	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE652	34002	2 FTS	RAF Syerston (Storage)
ZE653	34003	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE656	34009	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE657	34010	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE658	34011	2 FTS	RAF Syerston (Storage)
ZE677	34024	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE678	34025	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE679	34026	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE680	34027	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE682	34029	2 FTS	RAF Syerston
ZE683	34030	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE684	34031	2 FTS	RAF Little Rissington (Storage)
ZE685	34034	2 FTS	RAF Syerston