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Via:

8th August 2019 Our Reference: FOI2019/08138

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 14 July 2019 requesting the following information:

I would like to make an FOI request for documentation pertaining to an obsolete model of night goggles that were used by the British Army in the 1980s.

The device itself is designated the Goggles, Image Intensified, Cased L1A2 (5855-99-966-6811), or alternatively Goggles, Image Intensified, L4A2 (5855-99-966-6812).

Also known as GPPNVG (General Purpose Passive Night Vision Goggles).

According to MoD documentation, these devices were declared obsolete by 2014

(https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/395124/DIN_DIGEST_Nov_2014.pdf).

The AESP I am looking for are:

- * 5855-G-100-101***
- * 5855-G-100-201***
- * 5855-G-100-302***
- * 5855-G-100-513***
- * 5855-G-100-523***
- * 5855-G-100-533***
- * 5855-G-100-701***

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 information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested can be found attached, but some of the information falls entirely within the scope of the absolute exemption provided for at section 40 (Personal Data) of the FOIA and has been redacted.

Section 40(2) has been applied to some of the information in order to protect personal information as governed by the Data Protection Act 2018. Section 40 is an absolute exemption and there is therefore no requirement to consider the public interest in making a decision to withhold the information.

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.gov.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly 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. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted Name]

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