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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 13 August 2019 requesting the following information:

"I would like to know how much has the MOD spent with each of its top 15 (or top 20 if possible) holding companies, for each of the last 10 years (or 15 years if possible). £ value, for each company, for each year, ideally in 2018 prices."

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 and can be found in the accompanying tables, with the first tab shown in constant 2018/19 prices and the second tab in current prices.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that this information has been compiled using figures taken from our annual Trade, Industry & Contracts bulletin (<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/defence-trade-and-industry-index>) coupled with data extracted from the MOD contracts database. The expenditure figures have been rounded to the nearest £ million and the table is presented in the style of the most recent TI&C bulletin for ease of reading. Please refer to the footnotes for further information.

The data underpinning this analysis has been extracted from data provided by Defence Business Services (DBS) Finance systems. This information has previously been supplied by Commercial Staff on the DEFFORM 57, which was the detailed statistics input form that was produced when most contracts were established. More recently the data has come from the new Contracting, Purchasing & Finance (CP&F) end to end procurement system recently introduced into MOD. DBS Finance are responsible for the majority of such payments (around 95% by value) made by MOD. Other payments are made to industry and commerce, for example, via British Defence Staff (United States), international consortia and through local cash offices. Where a contract is novated during the year, annual payments are shown against the new 'owner' (company or entity) of that contract.

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,

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