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Dear

Thank you for your email of 06 August 2019 requesting the following information:

"Please provide organisation structure charts for the entire organisation.

Please provide organisation structure charts for the Digital, Data and Technology and Business Change functions/ Teams within the Organisation.

Please provide a list of the Senior Management team including associated positions held.

Please provide a list of all projects and programmes."

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 UKHO, and I can confirm that all information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested can be found in Attachment 1 (*organisation structure charts* and a list of the Senior Management Team) and Attachment 2 (projects and programmes). However, some of the information falls entirely within scope of the absolute exemptions provided for at Sections 40 (Personal Data), and some of the information falls within scope of the qualified exemption provided for at section 26(1) (Defence) of the FOIA and has been withheld.

Section 40(2) has been applied to some of the information in order to protect personal information as governed by the Data Protection Act and General Data Protection Regulation 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.

Section 26 (Defence) is a qualified exemption and is subject to public interest testing which means that the information requested can only be withheld if the public interest in doing so outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

In this instance, the balance of the public interest test found that it would be detrimental to the capability, effectiveness and security of relevant forces to release information related to defence projects and programmes.

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 me 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 <u>CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk</u>). 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, <a href="http://www.ico.org.uk">http://www.ico.org.uk</a>.

Yours sincerely,

**UKHO Secretariat**