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Via email: [REDACTED]

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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 24 October 2019 requesting the following information about the Nuclear Research Advisory Council (NRAC):

- 1) *How many employees are working for your organisation, including full-time, part-time, and contracted staff?*
- 2) *What is your annual intranet budget?*
- 3) *What is your current intranet solution? (e.g. Invotra, Sharepoint, Kahootz, Umbraco)*
- 4) *How long have you been using this solution, and when does your contract expire?*
- 5) *Do you work with an external partner to supply your intranet? If not, do you develop your intranet internally?*
- 6) *Which team/individual is responsible for managing your intranet internally?*
- 7) *Which other organisations have access to your intranet?*
- 8) *Do you share IT services with other organisations?*
- 9) *Are you using the Office 365 suite? If so, which applications from the suite are in use?*
- 10) *Who is responsible for your intranet's procurement within the organisation?*
- 11) *Do you use Microsoft's Active Directory to manage your people data? If so, is your Active Directory (AD) managed on-premise or in the cloud?*
- 12) *Do you use any other Software as a Service (SaaS) applications? (e.g. Atlassian/Jira, Slack, Trello, Xero)."*

We have treated your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, and can confirm that the NRAC holds some information in scope of your request. However, this information has been withheld under Section 21 (Information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means) of the Act.

Under Section 16(1) of the Act, public authorities have a duty to provide advice and assistance to requestors. You may find it helpful to note that information which is relevant to your first question about the NRAC is available at <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/nuclear-research-advisory-council/about>. The information you requested in questions 2-12 is not held as the NRAC is not an organisation with its own IT or intranet, it is supported by a small secretariat provided by the Defence Nuclear Organisation in the Ministry of Defence.

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

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Yours sincerely,

Defence Nuclear Organisation Secretariat