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Date: 22 May 2020

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 27 February 2020 requesting the following information:

- *“A list of project and programmes (Business Change / Transformation/ Digital/ Data/Technology).*
- *A List of the key deliverables/outputs for all project and Programmes (Business Change / Transformation/ Digital/ Data/Technology).*
- *A List of SROs for project and programmes (Business Change / Transformation/ Digital/ Data/Technology).*
- *The timelines and stage of delivery (Project stage) for all project and programme (Business Change / Transformation/ Digital/ Data/Technology), including delivery status.*
- *Current Organisation charts / Organograms for IT, Change & Transformation, Operations and digital data and technology Teams”*

We wrote to you on 27 March 2020 advising that we were in the process of conducting a Public Interest Test (PIT), and we would write to you no later than 27 April 2020, with the outcome of the PIT. We then wrote to you on the 27 April applying a further extension stating we will reply no later than 25 May 2020.

We have now completed our PIT, some of the information you have requested can be found attached.

However, some of the information falls entirely within the scope of the absolute exemptions provided for at Section 40 (Personal Data), and the qualified exemptions provided for at Section 24 (National Security), Section 26 (Defence), and Section 43 (Commercial Interests) of the Freedom of Information Act (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 1998. 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.

Sections 24, 26, 43, are qualified exemptions and are 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.

Section 24 (1) has been applied to some of the information because it contains details that could prejudice national security. Although disclosure would increase public understanding, the balance of public interest lies in withholding some information because its release could be used by those with malicious intent against the UK.

In so far as Section 24(1) applies, we are satisfied that the balance of public interest lies in withholding the information held by the MOD. To provide information in summary of the PIT would in itself harm national security. There is a very strong interest in safeguarding national security; this interest would only be overridden in exceptional circumstances. We have determined that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in release, and to give a statement of the reasons why the exemption applies would itself involve the disclosure of exempt information.

Section 26(1) (b) has been applied to some of the information because it contains details that are operationally sensitive and would prejudice the capability and effectiveness of our Armed Forces. While releasing the information would provide public awareness of the research work carried out for the future defence of the UK and confidence in associated countermeasures, the balance of public interest was found to be in favour of withholding the information that would prejudice the security of UK personnel and which would provide tactical advantage to our enemies. We have set the level of prejudice against release of the exempted information at the higher level of "would" rather than "would be likely to".

Section 43 (2) has been applied to some of the information because it contains information that would allow the public to determine our commercial position and therefore weaken our ability to negotiate effectively in procuring current services and those in the future to secure value for money. We have set the level of prejudice against release of the exempted information at the higher level of "would" rather than "would be likely to".

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

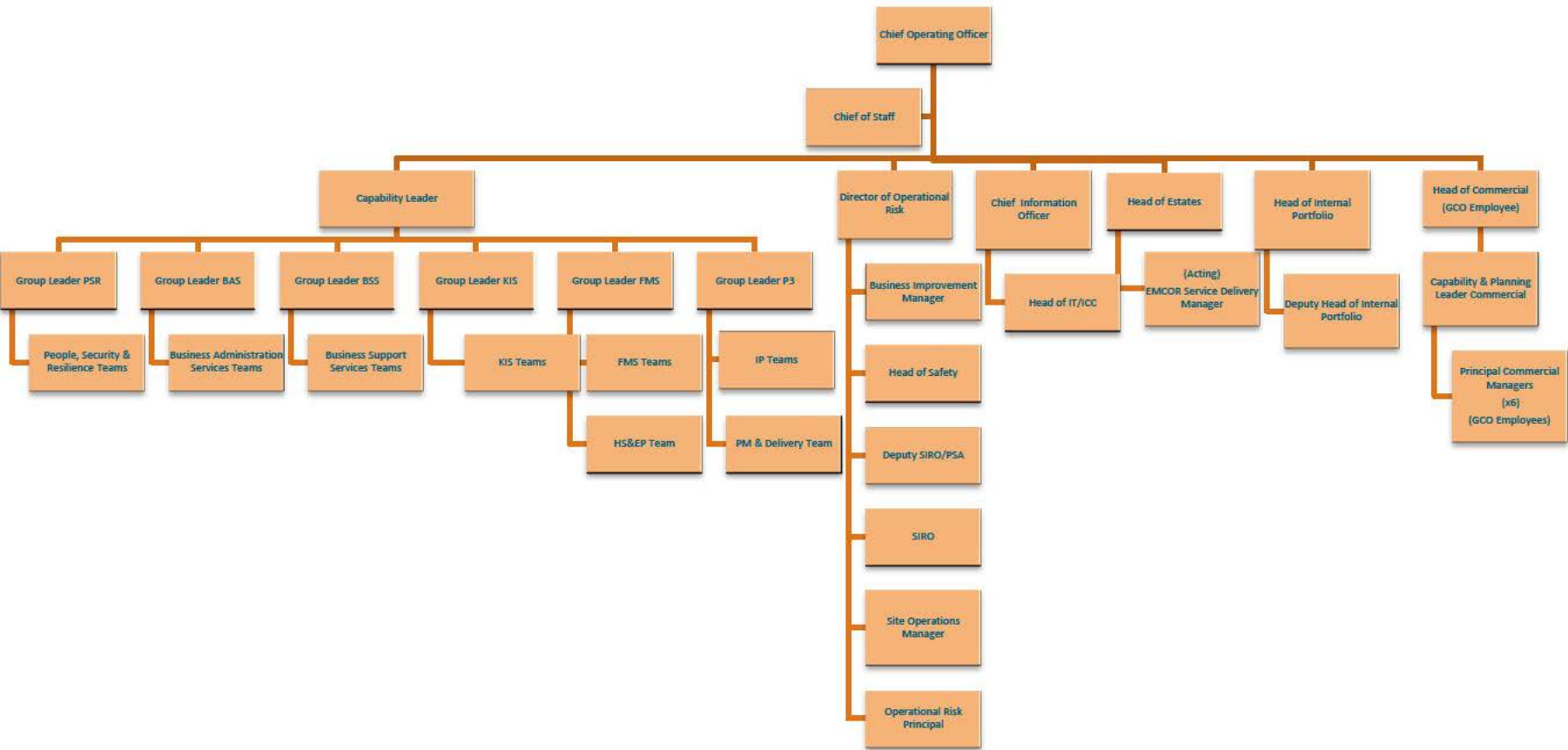
If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail [CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk](mailto:CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk)). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely

Dstl Secretariat

# Operations Division from 1 Dec 19



## Core Portfolio Report as at end AP10 (Feb 20 IPPG)

| Programme        | Project Title  | Deliverables  | Timeline Delivery | Delivery Stage | Delivery Status   |
|------------------|--|---|-------------------|----------------|---|
| Helios           | Helios-Asset Migration   | Migration of fixed assets to PTN  |                   | In Delivery    | On time   |
| Helios           | Helios-Staff Relocations   | Staff relocations away from FHD, Includes Exhibitions & Early Exit costs  | Mar-22            | In Delivery    | On time   |
| Helios           | Porton Integrated Services (CE/CWDC Connection)  | Connect CE/CWDC to services (Power, Water, Data)  |                   | In Delivery    | On time   |
| Helios           | Centralised Store  | Centralised storage facility for non-hazardous items  | Sep-20            | In Delivery    | Delay in letting contract, completion now Oct 20              |
| Helios           | PTN-LE ALEVC Installation  |   | Sep-20            | In Delivery    | On time   |
| Helios           | Helios and CWDC Grey IT  |   |                   | In Delivery    | On time   |
| Helios           | PTN-Generators   | Provision of additional standby Generators to increase the PTN site power resilience  | Mar-20            | In Delivery    | Final Testing Delayed, now Mar 20                             |
| Helios           | PTN-Bldg 246/247-Helios-Fast Track Regulatory Remediation                                    | Regulatory improvements/remediation work to the building  | May-20            | In Delivery    | On time   |
| Helios           | PTN-Bldg 246/247-Helios-Fast Track User Changes Remediation                                  | Works required to the building due to changes to user requirements  | tbc               | In Design      | Scoping   |
| Helios           | PTN-Interim Canine Capability  | Interim solution pending delivery of Centralised Storage  | Mar-20            | In Design      | Awaiting programme and cost schedule                          |
| CAST Integration | Cast Project Charlie   | Refurbishment and integration of chemistry facilities in Bldg. 4 /6/ Gas Store for CAST relocation  | Jun-20            | In Delivery    | Minor delay resulting from operational priorities, now Jul 20 |
| CAST Integration | Cast Project Echo  | Refurbishment and integration of electronic/IT facilities Bldg. 5   | Jun-20            | In Delivery    | Minor delay resulting from emerging risk, now Jul 20          |
| CAST Integration | Cast Project Sierra  | Refurbishment and integration of Bldg. 114/115 for CAST relocation  | Mar-21            | In Delivery    | Delayed to Sep 21   |
| KIS              | FT Further Scope   | Implement a Unified Communications system, including voice and instant messaging on SNet and TSNet  | Feb-20            | In Delivery    | Dependency project delaying completion, Apr 20                |
| KIS              | Future Telephony Phase 2   | Extend capability delivered by IPMO0073-Future Telephony to include collaboration capabilities with MOD and wider government, and potentially with Industry and Academia via Internet | Apr-20            | In Delivery    | Anticipate Complete Jun 20                                    |
| KIS              | Future Client Devices  | Replace thin client devices on SNet and TSNet   | Apr-21            | In Delivery    | Developing future stage following rescoping                   |
| KIS              | Network Access Control   | Implement a wired guest internet service on DON to replace the existing Partner Reachback service   | Jan-20            | In Delivery    | Resourcing delaying completion, anticipate Mar 20             |
| KIS              | Services Integration   | Address multiple business systems integration challenges including onboarding and offboarding partner organisations and suppliers   | Jul-20            | In Delivery    | Dependency project delaying completion, Aug 20                |
| KIS              | Migrate SAN Fabric   | Migrate Dstl data from End Of Life infrastructure to new storage solutions  | Feb-21            | In Delivery    | On time   |
| KIS              | Long Term Storage (formerly known as Migrate current storage to Target Storage Architecture) | Provide appropriate storage solutions for Dstl's data   | Mar-20            | In Delivery    | Technical Issues and Resourcing delaying completion to May 20 |

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| KIS       | Future Client OS (Approved)                      |   |                   | In Delivery    | On time                              |
| KIS       | TR - VMWare Upgrade                              | Upgrade the VMware installation on all networks   | Jun-20            | In Delivery    | On time                              |
| KIS       | TV at Dstl                                       | Replace end of life IPTV provision across Dstl's estate.  | Mar-20            | In Delivery    | On time                              |
| KIS       | Cloud & CVE Compute expansion                    | Increase capacity of the Corporate Virtual Desktop environment  | Mar-20            | In Delivery    | On time                              |
| KIS       | SAN Refresh                                      | Replace End Of Life storage elements of the SAN   | Sep-21            | In Delivery    | On time                              |
| KIS       | Cloud Enhancement (delivered by Demand)          | A vehicle for Demand Projects to scope and implement improvements to D-Cloud across all Dstl networks                           | Feb-20            | In Delivery    | Design issues, complete Apr 20       |
| KIS       | Campus Edge                                      | Replace the routing function of the network across the Dstl estate and the links to the WAN                                     | Feb-20            | In Delivery    | Should complete Mar 20               |
| KIS       | Datacentre Core Switching                        | Replace End Of Life core switches   | Feb-20            | In Delivery    | Should complete Mar 20               |
| KIS       | Software Defined Networking                      | Deliver tooling and workflows to automate both the virtual estate   | May-20            | In Delivery    | On time                              |
| KIS       | Backup Consolidation                             | Consolidate Dstl's legacy and no longer fit for purpose back up solutions into a single backup service across our core networks | Feb-20            | In Delivery    | Anticipate Apr 20 completion         |
| KIS       | Active Directory Fix                             |   | Oct-20            | In Delivery    | On time                              |
| KIS       | Server 2019 Build                                | Server builds to replace end of life and meet requirement for a more modern integrated infrastructure.                          | Jul-20            | In Delivery    | On time                              |
| KIS       | WAN Obsolescence                                 | Replace EOL WAN link to maintain network resilience between Dstl core sites   | Jun-20            | In Delivery    | Less than one month slip, end Jun 20 |
| KIS       | Media Wiki Refresh                               | Replace EOL Technical Wikis   | Aug-20            | In Delivery    | On time                              |
| KIS       | SharePoint Rationalisation                       | Rationalise and replace end of life SharePoint services   | Sep-20            | In Design      | Still in design                      |
| KIS       | Power BI   | Deploy of an enterprise level MI toolset  | Mar-20            | In Delivery    | Less than one month slip, end Mar 20 |
| KIS       | WAN Expansion                                    |   | Jul-20            | In Delivery    | On time                              |
| 6 A&E     | Smart Working Phase 2                            | Upgrade of PDW offices to the Smart Working format  | Mar-20            | In Delivery    | On time                              |
| 6 A&E     | H&S Management System                            | Off-the-shelf software tool to support management of Health and Safety (H&S) processes  | tbc               | Due Approval   | Awaiting programme and cost schedule |
| NISSS     | New Information Systems Service Solution (NISSS) | New Information Systems service provision   |                   | In Design      |                                      |
| CHESS     | CHESS (iCAS Replacement)                         |   | Sep-21            | Bid Evaluation | On time                              |