

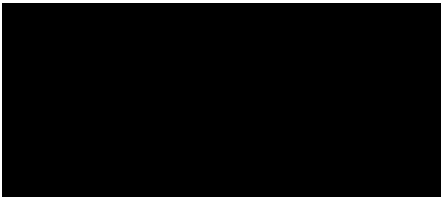


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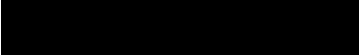
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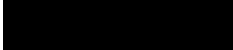


Email: DES SEC-PolSec LE-JSC-WPNS@mod.uk



Our Reference:
FOI2020/13380
Date:
16 December 2020

email: 

Dear 

I am writing about your email of 5 December 2020, requesting the following information:

" I recently purchased a cast Snatch 2A Land Rover from the MOD. Military registration of the vehicle was 31-KK-78 but its service history is missing from the Merlin Archive.

Please could I have any information you have about this specific vehicle?"

Your request has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

A search has been carried out of Ministry of Defence (MOD) records and it is confirmed that some information is held that can be released. This is enclosed, as follows:

- Annex A - Ownership History (redacted)
- Annex B - Fault History (redacted)
- Annex C - Modification History (redacted)
- Annex D - Inspection History
- Annex E - Service History

It has proved necessary to withhold information related to your request. This is some of the Ownership History (Annex A), Fault History (Annex B) and Modification History (Annex C), relating to one of the units that owned your vehicle and classified equipment on your vehicle when it was in-service. These have been redacted under qualified exemptions Section 26(1)(a) and (b) (Defence) and Section 38(1)(a) and (b) (Health and Safety) of the FOI Act. Commercially sensitive information in the Fault History, relating to contractor repair times, has also been withheld under qualified exemption Section 43(2) (Commercial Interests).

Section 26 applies to information that if disclosed would or would likely; prejudice the defence of the British Islands or any colony; and/or the capability, effectiveness or security of the Armed Forces of the Crown or any forces cooperating with them. Section 38 applies to information that if disclosed would or would likely; endanger the physical or mental health of any individual; or endanger the safety of any individual. Section 43 concerns information which if disclosed would or would likely;

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prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including defence contractors and the public authority holding it).

As all three exemptions are qualified, it was necessary to undertake a Public Interest Test to determine whether the balance for withholding the information outweighs that for disclosure. General arguments in favour of release were that full disclosure would demonstrate the MOD's commitment to openness and transparency; and make the UK Government more accountable to the electorate. The FOI Act also contains a presumption for release.

However, details about one previous owner of the vehicle and some equipment that remains in-service should be withheld under Section 26(1) (Defence) and Section 38(1)(a) and (b) of the FOI Act. These records contain information that could, either individually or in aggregate form, be used to compromise the ability of UK Armed Forces to carry out operations safely; by revealing information about movements, capabilities and actions which could assist adversaries in planning attacks against Armed Forces personnel and equipment, thus endangering lives.

Also, reporting the time taken by MOD contractors to rectify fault reports should be withheld under Section 43(2) (Commercial Interests). This could be used, along with already published contractor information, to reveal market sensitive information, such as hourly labour rates, that would likely allow the company's competitors to exploit when bidding for similar work.

Given the arguments described above, on balance, it was determined that the information should be withheld. The level of prejudice against release of this exempted information has been set 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). 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

DE&S Secretariat

VEHICLE DETAILS

ERM	NATO Stock Number	Asset Code	Contract Number	Description	Colour
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
31KK78	2320999086772	NB50053101	LV2A044	TRUCK UTY MED (HS) HT W/VPK 24V (WITH ACU) REFURBISHED 2005	Sand Disruptive Pattern

Date In Service	Chassis Number	Engine No.	Cast	Cast Date
(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)
08/07/1993	SALLDHAV7KA928704	N/A		

VEHICLE HISTORY

ERM	Key No.	RIV Date	UIN	Unit Title	RIV No.	RCP No.	RCP Date	Batch
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)
31KK78	3	08/07/1993	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	DRS067	A001471	08/07/1993	
31KK78	4	11/08/1993	A0605A	2 PARA	A13001	1197	07/09/1993	
31KK78	4	08/09/1993	CA175C	57 LOG SP SQN RLC VEH TP	999	9990	08/09/1993	
31KK78	4	05/10/1993	A7932C	39 INF BDE ELM NI POOL OF VEHS	1242	700000000000000000	09/10/1993	
31KK78	4	29/04/1994	A7904V	PRISON GUARD FORCE	999	999/QVB	29/04/1994	
31KK78	3	21/11/1994	CA175C	57 LOG SP SQN RLC VEH TP	97	54KK	19/01/1995	
31KK78	4		A1053A	5 REGT AAC (MAS)		L011	07/05/1997	
31KK78	3	09/10/1997	CA175C	57 LOG SP SQN RLC VEH TP	L011	2746KK	14/10/1997	
31KK78	4	19/06/1999	A1249A	RDG	5364K	40	20/06/1999	
31KK78	3	20/07/1999	CA175C	57 LOG SP SQN RLC VEH TP	12	5235KK	22/07/1999	
31KK78	4	27/10/2000	CA271E	JSCS DULMEN (THEATRE SP GP)	7205K	131312	16/01/2001	

31KK78	4	06/07/2006	A6205G	DSG VEHICLES LONGMOOR	999	999	06/07/2006	X34
31KK78	4	06/07/2006	CB406M	NP AEROSPACE LTD	97/06	DLOMISC	16/08/2006	
31KK78	3	29/09/2006	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	999999	75214AA	29/09/2006	
31KK78	4	10/10/2006	CA452A	GS SQN STORES ACCOUNT	81036A	17968	01/11/2006	
31KK78	3	23/05/2009	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	999999	87592AA	23/05/2009	
31KK78	4	04/06/2009	CB997C	ABRO CATTERICK PLANNED REPAIR	93635A	L0002	04/06/2009	
31KK78	4	27/11/2009	A3313A	LTF(W)	L0002	44603	15/12/2009	A61
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31KK78	4	04/08/2010	A3313A	LTF(W)	L0002	53452	04/08/2010	
31KK78	4	18/05/2011	A6205G	DSG VEHICLES LONGMOOR	L0002	081/111	16/01/2012	C47
31KK78	4	08/01/2013	A6047A	HQ COY 4 MERCIAN	328/12	999	13/03/2013	D15
31KK78	2	13/03/2013	A6205G	DSG VEHICLES LONGMOOR	L0002	147/12	13/03/2013	
31KK78		16/05/2013	A0587A	3 SCOTS MT			16/05/2013	
31KK78		30/08/2013	A0551A	1 SCOTS			30/08/2013	
31KK78		24/02/2014	CA005A	BABCOCK ASHCHURCH			24/02/2014	
31KK78		29/09/2015	D1832A	OSVP HOLDINGS			29/09/2015	
31KK78		06/10/2015	D1832E	VST-PMVP-HOLDINGS			06/10/2015	

Modification Event ID	Modification Number	Modification Description	Work Request ID	Escalate Work	Production Classification/In Service Classification	Modification Type	Apply When Usage Equals	Embody by Target Date	Usage Counter Units	Fault State	Work Status	Repair Level	Working Organisation	Repair Section	Estimated Repair Time
000000-0002C904	00013	Fitting Glow Plug Timer Interface Harness		No	3/C	Mod		30 Oct 2012		Fully Fit	CL	Level 2			
000000-0002C64D	00006	Fitting of Upgraded Anti Roll Bar and Bracket		No	3/C	Mod		30 Oct 2012		Fully Fit	CL	Level 2			
000000-0002C561	00002	Replace Aux Alternator bracket		No	3/C	Mod		30 Oct 2012		Fully Fit	CL	Level 2			

Work Objects										
Serial Number:	31KK78									
NSN:	2320999086772									
Criteria:										
Repair Level:	ALL									
Work Object Status:	Closed									
Mission Impact:	ALL									
Fault State:	ALL									
Escalate Work:	ALL									
Work Request ID:										
Assigned Work Status:	ALL									
Working Organisation:										
Repair Section:										
Maintenance Event ID	Work Request ID	Escalate Work	Maintenance Event Name	Next Due Date	Repair Level	Fault State	Work Status	Estimated Repair Time	Working Organisation	Repair Section
000000-002398AE		No	MEI (2)	20 Aug 2014	Level 2			000:00		
000000-0013FEC9		No	MEI (2)	20 Aug 2014	Level 2			000:00		
000000-00391AB6		No	6 Monthly Safety Insp (2)	15 Aug 2014	Level 2	Fully Fit	CL	000:00		
000000-001ACA4F		No	6 Monthly 6534 Insp		Level 1			000:00		
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000000-001F85FD		No	6 Monthly Safety Insp (2)	15 Aug 2014	Level 2			000:00		
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Maintenance Event ID	Work Request ID	Escalate Work	Maintenance Event Name	Next Due Date	Repair Level	Fault State	Work Status	Estimated Repair Time	Working Organisation	Repair Section
000000-001F84E3		No	OOPS 5 Yearly/96000 Kms Engine Mountings (2)	06 Nov 2018	Level 2			000 00		
000000-003253C2		No	OOPS 2 Yearly/40000 Kms	07 Nov 2015	Level 2			000 00		
000000-002398A0		No	Yearly/20000 Kms (2)	07 Nov 2014	Level 2			000 00		
000000-0021F69F		No	3 Monthly/5000 Kms (2)	16 May 2014	Level 2			000 00		
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000000-003253D7		No	OOPS 2 Yearly Renew Brake Fluid (2)	07 Nov 2015	Level 2			000 00		
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000000-000CB60D		No	6 Monthly/10000 Kms (1)		Level 1	CL		000 00		
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