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Our Reference:  
FOI2021/03480  
Date:  
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Dear [REDACTED],

I am writing about your email of 27 March 2021, requesting the following information:

*I wonder if you have any information stored about a Penman light trailer I have recently purchased. Service history, units etc.*

MRN: DV 17 AB  
Contract # LLV/DBG/424  
Serial # 05067  
Chassis # NB28533107

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 (MOD), and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held. This is attached, as follows:

Annex A - Ownership History  
Annex B - Fault History (redacted)

It has proved necessary to withhold information related to your request. This is commercially sensitive information in the Fault History (Annex B), relating to contractor repair times, and has been withheld under qualified exemption Section 43(2) (Commercial Interests).

Section 43 concerns information which if disclosed would or would likely prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including defence contractors and the public authority holding it).

As the exemption is 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, reporting the time taken by MOD contractors to rectify fault reports 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.

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Given the arguments described above, on balance, it was determined that the information should be withheld under Section 43(2) (Commercial Interests). 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 Policy Secretariat Asst Hd

**VEHICLE DETAILS**

ERM	NATO Stock Number	Asset Code	Contract Number	Description	Colour
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
DV17AB	2330999086472	NB28533107	LLV/DGB/424	TRAILER LIGHTWEIGHT GENERAL SERVICE CARGO	

Date In Service	Chassis Number	Engine No.	Cast	Cast Date
(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)
15/11/2005				

**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)
DV17AB	3		CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH		70874AA	15/11/2005	
DV17AB	2	26/08/2009	A0402A	14 SIG REGT (EW)	32744	129055	03/09/2009	A39
DV17AB		24/09/2009	A0402Q	14 SIG REGT (EW) 237 SIG SQN			24/09/2009	
DV17AB		06/10/2009	A0402N	14 SIG REGT (EW) 226 SIG SQN			06/10/2009	
DV17AB		27/03/2012	A0402T	14 SIG REGT (EW) 236 SIG SQN			27/03/2012	
DV17AB		29/05/2013	A0402S	14 SIG REGT (EW) 223 SIG SQN			29/05/2013	
DV17AB		11/01/2016	A0402R	14 SIG REGT (EW) 245 SIG SQN			11/01/2016	
DV17AB		06/02/2018	A0402Q	14 SIG REGT (EW) 237 SIG SQN			06/02/2018	
DV17AB		29/10/2018	A0402A	14 SIG REGT (EW)			29/10/2018	
DV17AB		29/10/2018	A0402Q	14 SIG REGT (EW) 237 SIG SQN			29/10/2018	
DV17AB		05/03/2019	A0402U	14 SIG REGT (EW) WOC(B) TP			05/03/2019	
DV17AB		05/03/2019	A0402R	14 SIG REGT (EW) 245 SIG SQN			05/03/2019	

DV17AB		26/06/2019	A0402A	14 SIG REGT (EW)			26/06/2019	
DV17AB		26/06/2019	A0402R	14 SIG REGT (EW) 245 SIG SQN			26/06/2019	
DV17AB		08/04/2020	A0402A	14 SIG REGT (EW)			08/04/2020	
DV17AB		21/04/2020	D1832A	OSVP HOLDINGS			21/04/2020	

Work Objects

Serial Number: DV17AB  
 NSN: 2330999086472

Criteria:  
 Repair Level: ALL  
 Work Object Status: Open  
 Mission Impact: ALL  
 Fault State: ALL  
 Escalate Work: ALL  
 Work Request ID:  
 Assigned Work Status: ALL  
 Working Organisation:  
 Repair Section:

Fault ID	Work Request ID	Fault Description	Work Status	Fault State	Escalate Work	Repair Level	Batch Fault Group ID Number	Fault Occurrence Date	Mission Impact	Reason For Work	Level 3 Description	Working Organisation	Repair Section	Estimated Repair Time
000000-00B1D909		CONVOY PLATE REQUIRES PAINTING	Awaiting Labour	Fully Fit	No	Level 1		26 Mar 2019	N/A	Inspection	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B6621A		LIGHTING CABLE OUTER INSULATION DAMAGED	Awaiting Labour	Fully Fit	No	Level 2		19 Sep 2019	N/A	Inspection	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B66226		OVER RUN DAMPER BOOT INSECURE	Awaiting Labour	Fully Fit	No	Level 2		19 Sep 2019	N/A	Inspection	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B6623E		R/H SIDE LIGHT PROTECTOR DAMAGED	Awaiting Labour	Fully Fit	No	Level 1		19 Sep 2019	N/A	Inspection	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B74A8B		JOCKEY WHEEL R-CLIP MISSING	Awaiting Labour	Fully Fit	No	Level 1		23 Oct 2019	N/A	Accident	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B74A95		RESERVOIR COVER PLATE BENT AND MISSING LOCKING CLIP	Awaiting Labour	Fully Fit	No	Level 2		22 Oct 2019	N/A	Accident	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B74AAD		RH REFLECTOR MISSING	Awaiting Labour	Non-Taskworthy	No	Level 1		23 Oct 2019	N/A	Accident	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B74AB1		LH REFLECTOR MISSING	Awaiting Labour	Non-Taskworthy	No	Level 1		23 Oct 2019	N/A	Accident	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B74AB9		FLH MARKER LIGHT U/S	Awaiting Labour	Non-Taskworthy	No	Level 2		23 Oct 2019	N/A	Accident	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B74AC1		FLH MARKER LENS DAMAGED	Awaiting Labour	Fully Fit	No	Level 1		23 Oct 2019	N/A	Accident	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B74AC3		FLH MARKER LENS RODS BENT	Awaiting Labour	Fully Fit	No	Level 1		23 Oct 2019	N/A	Accident	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B74ACB		TRAILER BODY DAMAGED	Awaiting Labour	Non-Taskworthy	No	Level 2		23 Oct 2019	N/A	Accident	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B74AD0		TAILGATE DOES NOT CLOSE CORRECTLY	Awaiting Labour	Non-Taskworthy	No	Level 2		22 Oct 2019	N/A	Accident	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B74AD5		LH STOWAGE BIN U/S	Awaiting Labour	Fully Fit	No	Level 2		23 Oct 2019	N/A	Accident	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B74ADB		CHASSIS FRONT CROSS MEMBER EXCESSIVE DAMAGE	Awaiting Labour	Non-Taskworthy	No	Level 2		22 Oct 2019	N/A	Accident	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B74ADD		NO BRAKE TEST CARRIED OUT	Awaiting Labour	Non-Taskworthy	No	Level 2		23 Oct 2019	N/A	Accident	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B74AE0		NO ROAD TEST CARRIED OUT	Awaiting Labour	Non-Taskworthy	No	Level 2		23 Oct 2019	N/A	Accident	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B813F7		MASTER CYLINDER SEIZED	Awaiting Spares	Non-Taskworthy	No	Level 2		28 Nov 2019	N/A	Damage	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B83293		RENEW MASTER CYLINDER	Awaiting Labour	Non-Taskworthy	No	Level 2		03 Dec 2019	N/A	Damage	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B8329C		RENEW BELLOW CORRODED	Awaiting Labour	Non-Taskworthy	No	Level 2		03 Dec 2019	N/A	Salvage	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B889E5		RENEW CALIPER O/S	Awaiting Labour	Non-Taskworthy	No	Level 2		07 Jan 2020	N/A	Damage	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			
000000-00B9EE75		CAST	Awaiting Labour	Non-Taskworthy	No	Level 4		10 Mar 2020	N/A	CAST	TLR LW 1.13T 2 WHD GS CARGO			