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Our Reference:
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Date:
1 July 2021

Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing about your emails of 8 and 28 June 2021, respectively, requesting the following information:

I would like to make a Freedom of Information Request to enquire whether you have any vehicle Merlin Reports, Vehicle Record Cards or any other Service History, Photos etc of my Land Rover Army Reg number LP46AA.

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 some information in scope of your request is held. This is attached, as follows:

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

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

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However, releasing the Fault History (Annex B) and Modification History (Annex D) provide details of the time taken by MOD contractors to rectify fault and modification reports. This data, along with previously published information, could be used to make reasonable assumptions about hourly labour rates. As market sensitive information, this could then be exploited by commercial competitors to undercut the contractor 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,

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted Name]

DE&S Policy Secretariat

Work Objects										
Serial Number:	LP46AA									
NSN:	2320998939741									
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
J03625-0AA4A00B		No	First Parade Insp (AR){1}		Level 1			000:00		
000000-002E9FAA		No	First Parade Insp (AR){1}		Level 1			000:00		
000000-00243A1E		No	6 Monthly 6534 Insp	17 Mar 2015	Level 1	Fully Fit	CL	000:00		
J03625-0AA4A008		No	MEI (2)	16 Sep 2015	Level 2			000:00		
000000-0028B144		No	MEI (2)	16 Sep 2015	Level 2			000:00		
000000-00462728		No	6 Monthly 6534 Insp	17 Mar 2015	Level 1			000:00		
000000-0028B145		No	6 Monthly 6534 Insp	17 Mar 2015	Level 1			000:00		
000000-00462727		No	MEI (2)	16 Sep 2015	Level 2			000:00		
J03625-0AA4A009		No	MEI (2)	16 Sep 2015	Level 2			000:00		
J03654-0B0DC001		No	6 Monthly 6534 Insp	17 Mar 2015	Level 1			000:00		
J03625-0AA4A00A		No	6 Monthly 6534 Insp	17 Mar 2015	Level 1			000:00		
J03654-0B0DC000		No	MEI (2)	16 Sep 2015	Level 2			000:00		
000000-002E9FA9		No	6 Monthly 6534 Insp	17 Mar 2015	Level 1			000:00		
000000-002E9FAB		No	MEI (2)	16 Sep 2015	Level 2			000:00		

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Escalate Work:	ALL													
Work Request ID:														
Assigned Work Status:	ALL													
Working Organisation:														
Repair Section:														
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
000000-00618839	00039	TUM (HS) REMUS 1- SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE PROGRAMME		No	-/-	RT1			Fully Fit	CL	Level 2			

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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
000000-00462757		No	OOPS 2 Yearly/20000 Kms Drain Engine Oil And Filter Change (1)	16 Jan 2017	Level 1			000:00		
J03625-0AA4A000		No	5 Yearly/100000 Kms (1)		Level 1			000:00		
J03625-0AA4A001		No	OOPS Cooling System (AR)		Level 2			000:00		
000000-0024EB08		No	OOPS 2 Yearly/40000 Kms Replace Air Cleaner Element (1)	16 Jan 2017	Level 1		CW	000:00		
J03625-0AA4A007		No	6 Monthly/10000 Kms	18 Jul 2015	Level 1			000:00		
J03625-0AA4A006		No	Yearly/20000 Kms	17 Jan 2016	Level 1			000:00		
000000-00243A0E		No	6 Monthly/10000 Kms	18 Jul 2015	Level 1	Fully Fit	CL	000:00		
000000-00243A45		No	OOPS 2 Yearly/40000 Kms Replace Air Cleaner Element (1)	16 Jan 2017	Level 1	Fully Fit	CL	000:00		
J03625-0AA4A003		No	OOPS 2 Yearly/40000 Kms Replace Air Cleaner Element (AR)(1)		Level 1			000:00		
000000-002BBDEF		No	6 Monthly/10000 Kms	18 Jul 2015	Level 1			000:00		
J03625-0AA4A004		No	OOPS Drain/Replenish Eng Oil And Renew Oil Filter (AR)(2)		Level 2			000:00		
000000-00462740		No	6 Monthly/10000 Kms	18 Jul 2015	Level 1			000:00		
000000-00243A54		No	OOPS 2 Yearly/20000 Kms Drain Engine Oil And Filter Change (1)	16 Jan 2017	Level 1	Fully Fit	CL	000:00		
000000-0024EB07		No	OOPS 5 Yearly/155000 Kms Drain And Replen Gearbox Oil (2)	11 Apr 2018	Level 2		CW	000:00		
000000-002C7782		No	6 Monthly/10000 Kms	18 Jul 2015	Level 1			000:00		
J03625-0AA4A005		No	Weekly (AR)(1)		Level 1			000:00		
000000-0024EB0A		No	6 Monthly/10000 Kms	18 Jul 2015	Level 1		CW	000:00		
000000-00243A15		No	Yearly/20000 Kms	17 Jan 2016	Level 1	Fully Fit	CL	000:00		
000000-00462756		No	OOPS 2 Yearly/40000 Kms Replace Air Cleaner Element (1)	16 Jan 2017	Level 1			000:00		
000000-0024EB0B		No	Yearly/20000 Kms	17 Jan 2016	Level 1		CW	000:00		
000000-002432C5		No	2 Yearly/40000 Kms	16 Jan 2017	Level 1		CW	000:00		
000000-00462741		No	Yearly/20000 Kms	17 Jan 2016	Level 1			000:00		
000000-00243A55		No	OOPS 6 Yearly/120000 Kms Camshaft Timing Belt (2)		Level 2	Fully Fit	CL	000:00		
000000-0046273F		No	2 Yearly/40000 Kms	16 Jan 2017	Level 1			000:00		
000000-00243A46		No	OOPS 5 Yearly Drain/Flush And Replen Cooling System	19 Mar 2016	Level 1	Fully Fit	CL	000:00		
000000-00243A23		No	OOPS 5 Yearly/155000 Kms Drain And Replen Gearbox Oil (2)	11 Apr 2018	Level 2	Fully Fit	CL	000:00		
000000-0024EB09		No	OOPS 2 Yearly/20000 Kms Drain Engine Oil And Filter Change (1)	16 Jan 2017	Level 1		CW	000:00		
J03625-0AA4A002		No	2 Yearly/40000 Kms	16 Jan 2017	Level 1			000:00		

VEHICLE DETAILS

ERM	NATO Stock Number	Asset Code	Contract Number	Description	Colour
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
LP46AA	2320998939741	NB42203100	LV2A/088DUM	TRUCK UTY LIGHT (TUL) (HS) 4X4 GS SOFT TOP LAND ROVER 2.5 LTR TURBO DSL (WITH EEGR)	Army/NATO Green IRR

Date In Service	Chassis Number	Engine No.	Cast	Cast Date
(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)
19/05/1998	SALLDAA67VA136961	25L04726B		

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)
LP46AA	3		CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH		34546AA	19/05/1998	
LP46AA	4	06/07/1998	A0558A	2 LANCS	40515A	597	30/07/1998	
LP46AA	4	14/03/2001	A2238A	2 RIFLES	999H/T	999H/T	14/03/2001	H/T
LP46AA	4	16/01/2006	A3086A	7 AIR ASSAULT BN REME	42378	48113	30/01/2006	W93
LP46AA	4	21/09/2006	A8311A	TF JAG OP HERRICK	44476	773	12/12/2006	X96
LP46AA	2	10/01/2012	A8315A	TPS BASTION	10905	194648	21/01/2012	C52
LP46AA		13/09/2013		ERHF VAME			17/09/2013	
LP46AA		09/10/2013		DSG HXP			17/10/2013	
LP46AA		12/11/2015		SEF (UK) ASHCHURCH			26/11/2015	
LP46AA		26/11/2015		SEF (UK) ASHCHURCH			08/12/2015	
LP46AA		22/08/2018		BABCOCK DISPOSAL			22/08/2018	