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Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing to provide you with a substantive response to your request for information about electric vehicles used by the Ministry of Defence (MOD). You originally asked:

This is a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

I would like to be provided with the following information regarding electric vehicles:

- 1) How many electric vehicles are currently in your fleet?*
- 2) How many vehicles (both electric and internal combustion engine vehicles) in total make up your fleet?*
- 3) Please share any plans to acquire more electric vehicles*

Thank you for clarifying and reducing the scope of your request on 30 September 2021. The revised request is:

This is a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

I would like to be provided with the following information regarding electric vehicles and the Phoenix II contract:

- 1) How many electric vehicles are currently hired or leased under the Phoenix II contract?*
- 2) How many vehicles (both electric and internal combustion engine vehicles) in total make up the vehicles hired or leased in the Phoenix II contract*

I have handled your request in accordance with the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000. The MOD holds the information you have requested.

Electric and hybrid vehicles leased under the Phoenix II contract apply to those used for the carriage of passengers and comprising no more than nine seats (including the driver); these are designated as M1 Cars and N1 vans. As at 25 October 2021, there are 7,702 of these vehicles under the contract, including 7,066 with internal combustion engines, 249 fully electric, and 662 hybrids. Delivery of a further 35 hybrids is expected before end of January 2022.

The MOD aims to have 100% of its designated M1 car and N1 vans fully electric, with no tail pipe emissions, by the end of December 2027. This is in accordance with the Department for Transport's Road to Zero strategy.

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.

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Yours sincerely



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