

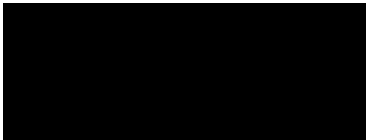


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Our Reference:
FOI2022/01712
Date:
21 February 2022

Dear 

I am writing about your email of 8 February 2022, requesting the following information:

'Please could you forward the service record of the following vehicle.

ERM AP12AB Chassis no SFF71621320006123'

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 on your vehicle that can be released. This is enclosed, as follows:

Annex A - Vehicle Transfer History (Redacted)
Annex B - Inspection History
Annex C - Modification History (Redacted)
Annex D - Service History

However, some of this information falls within the scope of qualified exemptions Sections 26, 38 and 43 of the FOI Act.

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

As these 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.

The Vehicle Transfer History (Annex A) contains details of sensitive vehicle modifications fitted to this vehicle which, if released, could potentially alert adversaries to the existence of these modifications and thus endanger future operations and the safety of Forces personnel. The

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Modification History (Annex C) provides details of the time taken by MOD contractors to rectify fault reports on AP12AB. 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,

DE&S Secretariat

VEHICLE DETAILS

ERM	NATO Stock Number	Asset Code	Contract Number	Description	Colour
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
AP12AB	2320999086756	NB17633102	LLV/DBG/450	TRUCK UTY MED (HD) GS HT PINZGAUER	Army/NATO Green IRR

Date In Service	Chassis Number	Engine No.	Cast	Cast Date
(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)
04/06/2003	71621300000000	N/K		

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)
AP12AB	3		CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH		55935AA	04/06/2003	
AP12AB	3	21/11/2003	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	999999	59031AA	19/12/2003	
AP12AB	4	04/03/2004	CQ506B	AUTOMOTIVE TECHNIQUE LTD	65025A	MCR04	15/03/2004	MCR
AP12AB	4	16/05/2005	A9121A	COB QM DEPT	999	999	16/05/2005	MC5
AP12AB	3	12/03/2008	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	999999	81122AA	12/03/2008	
AP12AB	4	08/06/2011	CB997C	ABRO CATTERICK PLANNED REPAIR	106572	5260	04/07/2011	
AP12AB	4	13/01/2012	A6205G	DSG VEHICLES LONGMOOR	60	136/11	27/03/2012	C69
AP12AB	4	18/03/2013	A5738A	WAR SPT UNIT & GAR	L0002	L0002	18/03/2013	
AP12AB	1	11/04/2013	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	62537	6035AA	16/04/2013	
AP12AB		03/03/2015		BABCOCK DISPOSAL			03/03/2015	

Work Objects

Serial Number: AP12AB
NSN: 2320999086756

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
000000-00242690	No	No	6 Monthly Safety Insp (2)	25 Jul 2013	Level 2			000:00		
000000-0024268F	No	No	MEI (2)	23 Jan 2014	Level 2			000:00		
000000-00242698	No	No	MEI (2)	23 Jan 2014	Level 2			000:00		
000000-00242699	No	No	6 Monthly Safety Insp (2)	25 Jul 2013	Level 2			000:00		

Work Objects

Serial Number: AP12AB
NSN: 2320995065756

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:

Modification Event ID: 00000-006801F
Modification Number: 00025
Modification Description: Fitment of wheel bolt indicators

Work Request ID: No
Escalate Work: No
Production Classification/in Service Classification: 1/A

Modification Type: Mod
Apply When Usage Equals: Usage Counter Units

Fault State: Fully Fit
Work Status: CL

Working Organisation: Repair Section
Repair Level: Level 2
Estimated Repair Time: [REDACTED]

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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
000000-00242683		No	6 Monthly/8000 Kms	23 Jul 2013	Level 2			000:00		
000000-00242677		No	OOPS Yearly		Level 2			000:00		
000000-00242682		No	Yearly/16000 Kms	21 Jan 2014	Level 2			000:00		