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29 July 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

Subject: Freedom of Information request (RFI 060) – Past and current qualifying defence contracts

I write in response to your email of 25 July 2022 seeking information we hold about past and current qualifying defence contracts. We are dealing with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. We have assigned your request the reference RFI 060. Please quote this reference in any correspondence related to this matter.

To enable us to identify and locate the correct information, we require clarification on the following matters.

Contract start date

All contracts will have a date that they were entered into. For the purposes of the Defence Reform Act 2014, there may be existing contracts that have subsequently been brought into the regime on amendment and the date they are brought into the regime will be different to the date they were entered into. Contracts may also have a start date, generally being when performance of the contract commenced. This date may not be the same as either the date the contract was entered into or the date it was brought into the regime.

We have interpreted your request as referring to the dates the contracts were entered into.

Please confirm whether we have understood the meaning of your request.

Contract value

The Single Source Contract Regulations 2014 (SSCR) provide definitions of the terms contract 'value' and contract 'price'. These are not the same and may produce different values in relation to a particular qualifying defence contract.

[Regulation 5](#) of the SSCR explains how the value of a contract is to be determined by the contracting authority. You will see that this includes, for example:

- taking account of any option contained in the contract and the likelihood that it will be exercised; and
- aggregating the consideration that the contracting authority has paid or expects to be payable under the contract and other contracts which are not the result of a competitive process which the contracting authority has entered into, or proposes to enter into, with the same person (or persons associated with that person) for the purpose of fulfilling the same requirement for goods, works or services.

[Regulation 2\(1\)](#) of the SSCR provides a definition of the term 'contract price'.



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26 August 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

Subject: Freedom of Information request (RFI 060) – Past and current qualifying defence contracts

I am writing again in relation to your email of 25 July 2022 seeking information we hold about past and current qualifying defence contracts (QDCs). We are dealing with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI Act). We have assigned your request the reference RFI 060. Please quote this reference in any correspondence related to this matter.

Following the clarification of your original request provided on 1 August we have considered what information we hold related to your request. At the 1 August we held information about 419 past or current QDCs.

We do not hold any information about the Senior Responsible Owners of these contracts at the MOD.

For the other information you requested about these QDCs, where this is held, it is supplied to the SSRO either by the Ministry of Defence (MOD) when it notifies us of a QDC or by the companies who hold the QDCs in fulfilment of their contract reporting obligations under the Defence Reform Act 2014 and Single Source Contract Regulations 2014. In some cases the information may be provided by both the MOD and the contractor whilst some of the information is from contractors having submitted multiple reports which may contain the same or updated information.

This table shows for each item of information requested the potential sources of the information we hold.

RFI 060	Primary source	Secondary source
The contractor who holds the contract	Contract report(s)	Notification data
The name of the Defence Contract	Contract report(s)	Notification data
A brief description of the contract (or headline requirement)	Contract report(s)	Notification data
Date contract entered into	Contract report(s)	Notification data
The original contract start date	Notification data	-
The original contract end date	Notification data	Contract report(s)
The current forecast contract end date	Contract report(s)	Notification data
The original £ value of the contract	Notification data	Contract report(s)*
The current £ value of the contract	Contract report(s)*	Notification data
The original £ price of the contract	Notification data	Contract report(s)
The current £ price of the contract	Contract report(s)	Notification data
The Senior Responsible Owner of the contract at the MOD	Not held	Not held

* Until 2020

