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Dear [REDACTED],

I am writing about your request dated 25 August 2022 for the following information:

*I have recently seen Forces News and the video regarding the MOD's contractor BAE systems (Radway Green) capability in producing small arms ammunition for the current service rifles. Please can you tell me which country that the propellant (powder) comes from, Is it UK, China, USA or somewhere else.*

Your request is being handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

I can confirm that information falling within the scope of your request is held by the Ministry of Defence (MOD) and that the propellant is sourced from Belgium and Switzerland.

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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