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Dear ██████,

Thank you for your email of 15 September 2022, requesting the following information:

***“Please answer the following question ONLY in relation to bookings held centrally and made as part of the Phoenix II fleet contract.***

- 1. What was the cost to the MoD of taxi and chauffeur driven cars for staff members in (i) 2020/21 and (ii) 2021/22?***
- 2. What was the total number of bookings logged by the MoD for journeys made by MoD staff and paid by the MoD in (i) 2020/21 and (ii) 2021/22?***
- 3. For 2021/22 please list the three most expensive bookings giving the fare and the destination and arrival points?”***

Your request has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000. A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that all the information in scope of your request is held. For ease of reference, I will answer your questions in order below:

1. The cost of MOD taxi and chauffeur-driven cars in 2020/21 was **£309,891**; in 2021/22, the total cost was **£755,818**.
2. The total number of bookings was **2,130** in the financial year 2020/21 and **4,050** in the financial year 2021/22.
3. The three most expensive bookings for 2020/21 were multi-day and -vehicle requests, and are detailed in the table below. Please note that mileages are not recorded as part of the Quoted Tate rental costs and as such, only pickup and dropoff locations are reproduced in the table:

Start Date	End Date	Net Cost	Booking Details
07/04/2021	09/04/2021	£5,383	Start: OX18 End: SW1A 2HB
01/11/2021	04/11/2021	£1,894	Start: SW1A 2AX End: SW1A
01/11/2021	04/11/2021	£1,883	Start: SW1A End: SW1A

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Yours sincerely,

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