

Defence Equipment and Support Secretariat #2043 Maple 0a Ministry of Defence Abbey Wood Bristol BS34 8JH



Email: DES SEC-PolSec LE-JSC-WPNS@mod.uk

email:

Our Reference: FOI2022/11402 Date: 28 October 2022

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

I am writing about your email of 05 October 2022, requesting the following information:

Is there a route to finding vehicle history of Pinzgaur 77KL81?

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI Act).

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD), and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held. The information identified relating to this vehicle is attached, as follows:

- Annex A Owner History
- Annex B Fault History
- Annex C Modification History (redacted)

It has proved necessary to withhold some information in accordance with qualified exemptions of the FOI Act. Some of the commercially sensitive information in the Modification History (Annex C) relates to contractor repair times, which have been withheld under qualified exemption Section 43(2) (Commercial Interests). 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 the exemption is 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. However, reporting the time taken by MOD contractors to rectify fault reports could be used, along with already published contractor information, to reveal market sensitive information, such as hourly labour rates, that would likely allow the company's competitors to exploit when bidding for similar work.

Given the arguments described above, on balance, it was determined that the information should be withheld under Section 43(2) (Commercial Interests). 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".

You may wish to note that when the Management of Equipment, Resources, and Liabilities Information Network (MERLIN) database was archived into its current format some data may have been lost or corrupted. You should therefore be cautious that some of the owner history data may be inaccurate.

I can advise that no other information on this vehicle is held.

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 <a href="https://ico.org.uk/">https://ico.org.uk/</a>.

Yours sincerely,

DE&S Policy Secretariat

## VEHICLE DETAILS

ERM	NATO Stock Number	Asset Code	Contract Number	Description	Colour		
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)		
				TRUCK UTY MED HY DUTY GENERAL SERVICE SOFT TOP	Army/NATO		
77KL81	2320998939086	NB17503100	LV2A/173	STEYR DAIMLER-PUCH	Green IRR		

Date In Service	Chassis Number	Engine No.	Cast	Cast Date			
(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)			
23/01/1995	0	NA					

## **VEHICLE HISTORY**

ERM	Key No.	RIV Date	UIN	UIN Unit Title		RCP No.	RCP Date	Batch
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)
77KL81	3	22/01/1995	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	CAPITA	10498AA	23/01/1995	
77KL81	4	01/06/1995	CA360D	VRS UK LOG SP COY	16463A	26	28/06/1995	
77KL81	3	09/12/1996	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	999999	22374AA	09/12/1996	
77KL81	4	12/06/2000	F2051A	TSW	51151A	433	21/06/2000	
77KL81	3	23/11/2000	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	179	47970AA	08/12/2000	
77KL81	4	26/09/2002	A1140A	SEME	59057A	3511	18/10/2002	
77KL81	3	09/07/2003	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	71	58075AA	21/10/2003	
77KL81	4	05/04/2004	CB898D	QINETIQ	65260A	999	13/01/2005	
77KL81	4	29/03/2005	CQ030U	AUTOMOTIVE TECHNIK LTD	999	999	29/03/2005	V89
77KL81	3	10/05/2005	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	999999	68514AA	25/05/2005	
77KL81	4	18/04/2006	CQ030U	AUTOMOTIVE TECHNIK LTD	78955A	999	04/05/2006	

77KL81	3	23/08/2007	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	999999	78839AA	23/08/2007	
77KL81	4	13/01/2009	CQ030U	AUTOMOTIVE TECHNIK LTD	91797A	999	20/08/2009	
77KL81	3	22/10/2009	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	999999	90111AA	22/10/2009	
77KL81	4	13/11/2009	CQ030U	AUTOMOTIVE TECHNIK LTD	96268A	999	13/11/2009	
77KL81	2	23/11/2010	CB026H	BAE SYSTEMS	999	999	23/11/2010	MCR
77KL81		21/11/2012		EQUIPMENT POOL			21/11/2012	
77KL81		12/05/2017		IP BAE SYSTEMS TELFORD			18/05/2017	
77KL81		18/05/2017		BABCOCK ASHCHURCH			24/05/2017	

Work Objects

Serial Number:

77KL81

NSN.

2320998939086

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:

Work Escalate Repair Work Fault Working Repair Estimated Repair Fault Occurrence Mission Reason For Fault ID Request ID Fault Description Status State Work Level Batch Fault Group ID Number Date Impact Work Level 3 Description Organisation Section Time Initial Maintenance Closed Fully Fit No 000000-003FB225 Level 1 27 Mar 2009 TUM PINZ HD 4X4 GS 000000-003FB21E Initial Usage Closed Fully Fit No Level 1 27 Mar 2009 TUM PINZ HD 4X4 GS

Work Objects

Serial Number:

77KL81

NSN:

2320998939086

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:

					Production				Usage						Estimated
	Modification		Work	Escalate	Classification/In Service	Modification	Apply When	Embody by	Counter	Fault	Work	Repair	Working	Repair	Repair
Modification Event ID	Number	Modification Description	Request ID	Work	Classification	Type	Usage Equals	Target Date	Units	State	Status	Level	Organisation	Section	Time
		Fitment of wheel bolt													
000000-006F894E	00025	indicators		No	1/A	Mod				Fully Fit	CL	Level 2			