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Our Reference:
FOI2022/06982
Date:
29 June 2022

Dear ██████,

Thank you for your email of 9 June 2022, requesting the following information:

'Thank you for your previous reply, to FOI Your Ref: FOI2021/13060 dated 29/06/21.

a Request for history of units the vehicle erm 00FF50 was issued to.

After exhaustively checking the spread sheets at that link, I find that they

hold information for ERM 00FF50 only on Spreadsheet 1, line 3386.

For which I can see ONLY 12 entry's across a total of 12 columns, there are no further lines for 00FF50 on spreadsheets 2 to 7.

Thus I cannot see the 23 records you refer to in your reply as above!

I would assume this data has been lost within the download to EXCEL, if you are referring to the original MERLIN database as "the system" would it be possible for you to retrieve these the remaining data records that you can see, and I cannot please.'

Your request has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

A search of Ministry of Defence (MOD) records has been completed and some information about the service histories of your vehicles is held on the MOD Merlin archive. This is provided in the attached Annex:

Annex A – 00FF50 Vehicle History

It appears that when the Merlin database was published in its current format some data was lost or corrupted, leading to some of the information being incomplete or inaccurate. We apologise for the inconvenience and hope that you find this updated Merlin information useful.

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

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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)
00FF50	2350999086690	GA08548098	FV15629	COMBAT VEH RECONNAISSANCE FULL TRACKED SPARTAN DSL MINE PROTECTED (APC) BOWMAN	Sand Disruptive Pattern

Date In Service	Chassis Number	Engine No.	Cast	Cast Date
(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)
01/11/1976	0	0	Y	10/01/2013

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)
00FF50	4		A0229C					
00FF50	4	16/07/1985	A0263A	10 AD BTY	9	110	16/07/1985	
00FF50	4	08/12/1992	A0230A	47 REGT RA (CAD REGT)	129	795	08/12/1992	
00FF50	3	23/10/1998	A2033K	ABRO DONNINGTON PLANNED REPAIR	195	7259N44	27/10/1998	
00FF50	4	28/06/1999	A0230B	QM (A) 47 REGT RA	74	1730P39	28/06/1999	
00FF50	4	26/01/2001	A0230A	47 REGT RA (CAD REGT)	999MCR	999MCR	26/01/2001	MCR
00FF50	4	06/11/2001	A0359A	26 ENGR REGT-8 ARMD ENGR SQN	368	1087	20/11/2001	S71
00FF50	4	22/11/2001	A0329C	26 ENGR REGT 38 HQ & SP SQN	200	1680	22/01/2002	S78
00FF50	4	19/12/2002	CQ009D	ALVIS VEHICLES LTD	121	999	19/12/2002	T44
00FF50	3	16/05/2003	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	999999	55695AA	17/05/2003	
00FF50	4	22/08/2003	A2033A	ABRO DONNINGTON	62850A	999	15/09/2003	

00FF50	4	29/09/2003	A2033K	ABRO DONNINGTON PLANNED REPAIR	999	99	29/09/2003	U13
00FF50	3	22/10/2003	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	395	58143AA	23/10/2003	
00FF50	4	10/02/2004	A2033A	ABRO DONNINGTON	64717A	999	10/02/2004	
00FF50	4	07/04/2004	A2456A	LD	014A	126	26/04/2004	U78
00FF50	4	23/03/2005	A9113A	TASK FORCE MUTHANNA - BG4	152	5162	25/04/2005	H/T
00FF50	4	12/12/2005	A2451A	HOUSEHOLD CAVALRY REGT (FR REGT)	999	999	12/12/2005	W70
00FF50	4	06/03/2006	A2451L	D SQN HCR	999	999	06/03/2006	W96
00FF50	4	18/07/2006	A8313A	CF BURMA - (CSAT OP HERRICK)	999	999	18/07/2006	X38
00FF50	4	14/03/2007	A2451A	HOUSEHOLD CAVALRY REGT (FR REGT)	999	999	14/03/2007	Y21
00FF50	4	07/12/2007	A8315A	TPS BASTION	30415	41681	11/12/2007	Y92
00FF50	1	02/03/2010	CA005A	JSCS ASHCHURCH	999999	92263AA	02/03/2010	
00FF50		03/01/2012		BABCOCK ASHCHURCH			06/01/2012	
00FF50		25/06/2014		BABCOCK DONNINGTON PLANNED REPAIR			25/06/2014	
00FF50		07/07/2014		AVP ISP HOLDINGS			07/07/2014	