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Our Reference: FOI2023/08793 Date: 18 July 2023

Dear

I am writing about your email of 13 July 2023, requesting the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I request copies of the following: Any servicing / maintenance information for the main equipment and also the trailer or similar information pertaining to a: "Sesanti Mobile Surveillance/Communications Tower 21m High Mounted on a Single Axle Trailer" with numbering details below, bought from MOD Sales Company: 1655599 Witham SV.

VRN: NT 42 AB

Ser No: **SA9R3121M30339704** NSN:

5985-99-219-

8369

Part No: PO51-0020-GA DoM: 02/2011

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 (redacted)
- Annex C Inspection History
- Annex D Servicing History

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 Fault History (Annex B) 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 https://ico.org.uk/.

Yours sincerely,

DE&S Policy Secretariat

VEHICLE DETAILS

ERM	NATO Stock Number	Asset Code	Contract Number	Description	Colour
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
			•	MOBILE SURVEILLANCE MAST 21M TLR MTD REMOVER	Army/NATO
NT42AB	5895991518041	XE59291306	CISR1/00204	3.1 KYLMAR GDUK	Green IRR

Date In Service	Chassis Number	Engine No.	Cast	Cast Date
(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)
08/06/2012				

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)
NT42AB	2	08/06/2012	A5624A	HQ RSA & LARKHILL GARRISON	999	147024	08/06/2012	C78
NT42AB		23/10/2014		FPDT BISTAR HOLDINGS			28/10/2014	

Work Objects

Serial Number:

NT42AB

NSN:

5895991518041

Criteria:

Repair Level: Work Object Status:

ALL

Mission Impact:

Closed

ALL ALL

Fault State: Escalate Work:

ALL

Work Request ID:

Assigned Work Status: ALL

Working Organisation:

Repair Section:

							Batch							
							Fault	Fault						Estimated
m tum	Work		Work		Escalate	•	Group ID	Occurrence		Reason For	Level 3	Working		Repair
Fault ID	•	Fault Description	Status	Fault State	Work	Level	Number	Date	lmpact	Work	Description	_	Repair Section	Time
		C O ANNUAL ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION CERT BS	_, ,									14 REGT RA,	ALINE LIFTING	
000000-00838C29		7671	Closed	Fully Fit	No	Level 2		18 Sep 2014	N/A	Inspection	REMOVER 3.1	WKSP	TACKLE	
	000000-		1	Non-						Closed No		14 REGT RA,		
000000-008487D5		CARRY OUT DISPOSAL INSPECTION		Taskworthy	No	Level 2		20 Oct 2014	•	Action	REMOVER 3.1	WKSP	BLINEINSP	
000000-00839E2B		MEI Role Insp 933(W) (2)	Closed	Limited Role	No	Level 2		23 Sep 2014	-	Inspection	REMOVER 3.1			
000000-00839E27		MEI Veh Insp 932(W) (2)	Closed	Limited Role	No	Level 2		23 Sep 2014	N/A	Inspection	REMOVER 3.1			
	000000-											14 REGT RA,	ALINE LIFTING	
000000-00838C1D		CARRY OUT YEARLY LIFTING TACKLE INSPECTION	Closed	Fully Fit	No	Level 2		19 Sep 2014	N/A	Inspection	REMOVER 3.1	WKSP	TACKLE	
		C O YEARLY L2 MAINT IAW AESP 5895 G 115 601										14 REGT RA,	ALINE LIFTING	
000000-00838C13		TAB 4 COL D	Closed	Fully Fit	No	Level 2		19 Sep 2014	N/A	Servicing	REMOVER 3.1	WKSP	TACKLE	
		C O YEARLY L1 MAINT IAW AESP 5895 G 115 601												
000000-00838C0B		TAB 3 COL D	Closed	Fully Fit	No	Level 1		19 Sep 2014	N/A	Servicing	REMOVER 3.1			
		C O 12 MONTHLY L1 MAINT IAW AESP 5895 G												
000000-00838917		115 601 TAB3 COL D	Closed	Fully Fit	No	Level 1		18 Sep 2014	N/A	Servicing	REMOVER 3.1			
		PLEASE C/O 6 MONTHLY SERVICE AS PER AESP		Non-										
000000-007F9200		5895-G-115-601	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2		20 Mar 2014	N/A	Servicing	REMOVER 3.1			
		RENEW TOW BAR DAMPER AND C/O BRAKE		Non-										
000000-007F92FE		TEST	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2		25 Mar 2014	N/A	Failure	REMOVER 3.1			
				Non-										
000000-007F91F6		PLEASE C/O 6534 AS PER AESP 5895-G-115-532	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2		20 Mar 2014	N/A	Inspection	REMOVER 3.1			
		C/O 6 MONTHLY SERVICE AS PER AESP 5895-G-		Non-						Closed No				
000000-007F6C36		115-601	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2		18 Mar 2014	N/A	Action	REMOVER 3.1			
		C/O 6 MONTHLY LEVEL 1 SERVICE AS PER AESP		Non-						Closed No				
000000-007F6C30		5895-G-115-601	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 1		18 Mar 2014	N/A	Action	REMOVER 3.1			
				Non-						Closed No				
000000-007F6C20		PLEASE CARRY OUT 6 MONTHLY SAFETY INSP	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2		18 Mar 2014	N/A	Action	REMOVER 3.1			
				Non-										
000000-007F6C12		PLEASE INVESTIGATE BRAKE DAMPER LEAKING	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2		18 Mar 2014	N/A	Failure	REMOVER 3.1			
		REAR FOG LIGHT ONLY ILLUMINATES ON L/H SIDE		Non-										
000000-007BD3A7		(DESIGN FAULT)	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2		07 Oct 2013	N/A	Inspection	REMOVER 3.1			

	L/H/R LEVELLING LEG WINDING HANDLE KNOB								
000000-007BD3BC	MISSING	Closed	Limited Role	No	Level 1	07 Oct 2013	N/A	Inspection	REMOVER 3.1
	RE-CERTIFY/RE-INSPECT 932(W2) WITHIN		Non-						
000000-007BD909	28DAYS FROM 08.10.2013	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2	08 Oct 2013	N/A	Inspection	REMOVER 3.1
	NO FORWARD FACING CLEAR REFLECTORS		Non-						
000000-007BD927	FITTED?	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2	08 Oct 2013	N/A	Inspection	REMOVER 3.1
000000-007CB2FA	CARRY OUT MOD 1 (JOCKEY WHEEL)	Closed	Fully Fit	No	Level 2	13 Nov 2013	N/A	Inspection	REMOVER 3.1
	OVER RUN DAMPER INEFFICIENT (NO BRAKING		Non-						
000000-007BD919	ON DECELERATION)	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2	08 Oct 2013	N/A	Inspection	REMOVER 3.1
			Non-						
000000-007C8541	RENEW DAMPER UNIT AND C/O RBT TEST	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2	05 Nov 2013	N/A	Failure	REMOVER 3.1
			Non-						
000000-007BC3E6	CARRY OUT 932(W2) MEI	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2	03 Oct 2013	N/A	Inspection	REMOVER 3.1
	CARRY OUT FMT 933 AND ATTACH TO FMT		Non-						
000000-007BC3FC	932(W2)	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2	03 Oct 2013	N/A	Inspection	REMOVER 3.1
	C/O 12 MONTH L1 SERVICE AS PER 5895G115601		Non-						
000000-007BC792	TABLE 4 INT C & D	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 1	03 Oct 2013	N/A	Servicing	REMOVER 3.1
	C/O 12MONTH L SERVICE AS PER 5895G115601		Non-						
000000-007BC79A	TABLE 4 INT D, SER 1-17 INCLUSIVE	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2	03 Oct 2013	N/A	Servicing	REMOVER 3.1
	R/H/R & R/H/F STABILIZER LEGS BOTTOM PIN								
000000-007BD3C6	SAFETY CLIPS U/S	Closed	Limited Role	No	Level 1	07 Oct 2013	N/A	Inspection	REMOVER 3.1
	C/O 12MONTH L SERVICE AS PER 5895G115601		Non-						
000000-007BC7A9	TABLE 4 INT D, SER 18-30 INCLUSIVE	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2	03 Oct 2013	N/A	Servicing	REMOVER 3.1
	C/O 12MONTH L2 SERVICE AS PER 5895G115601		Non-						
000000-007BC7B5	TABLE 4 INT D, SER 31-32 INCLUSIVE	Closed	Taskworthy	No	Level 2	03 Oct 2013	N/A	Servicing	REMOVER 3.1

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ALL

Fault State: Escalate Work: ALL

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ALL

Work Request ID:

Assigned Work Status:

ALL

Working Organisation:

Repair Section:

	Work							Estimated		
	Request			Next Due	Repair	Fault	Work	Repair	Working	Repair
Maintenance Event ID	ID	Escalate Work	Maintenance Event Name	Date	Level	State	Status	Time	Organisation	Section
000000-00457BD9		No	Yearly Lifting Equip Exam (2)	22 Sep 2015	Level 2			00:00		
000000-00457BDB		No	MEI VEH INSP 932(W) (2)	22 Sep 2015	Level 2			00:00		
000000-0032A8A0		No	MEI VEH INSP 932(W) (2)	22 Sep 2015	Level 2			00:00		
000000-004077F5		No	Yearly Lifting Equip Exam (2)	22 Sep 2015	Level 2			00:00		
000000-0032A894		No	MEI Role Insp 933(W) (2)	22 Sep 2015	Level 2			00:00		
			Annual Electrical Installation							
000000-004074A3		No	Certification BS7671	07 Oct 2014	Level 2			00:00		
000000-00457BDA		No	MEI Role Insp 933(W) (2)	22 Sep 2015	Level 2			00:00		

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	Work	Escalate		Next Due	Repair	Fault	Work	Estimated	Working	Repair
Maintenance Event ID	Request ID	Work	Maintenance Event Name	Date	Level	State	Status	Repair Time	Organisation	Section
000000-00457BCE		No	Yearly Servicing (2)	22 Sep 2015	Level 2			00:00		
000000-00407429		No	Yearly Servicing (2)	22 Sep 2015	Level 2			00:00		
000000-00454938		No	6 Monthly (1)	20 Mar 2015	Level 1			00:00		
000000-00408DCA		No	6 Monthly Servicing (2)	21 Nov 2014	Level 2			00:00		
000000-00408DC9		No	6 Monthly (1)	20 Mar 2015	Level 1			00:00		
000000-00454892		No	Monthly Servicing	19 Oct 2014	Level 1	•		00:00		
000000-004073D5		No	Yearly Servicing	19 Sep 2015	Level 2			00:00		
000000-0043215D		No	Monthly Servicing	19 Oct 2014	Level 1			00:00		
000000-004073BD		No	Monthly Servicing	19 Oct 2014	Level 1			00:00		
000000-00454891		No	Yearly Servicing	19 Sep 2015	Level 2			00:00		
000000-0044BC43		No	Monthly Servicing	19 Oct 2014	Level 1			00:00		
000000-004190D6		No	Monthly Servicing	19 Oct 2014	Level 1			000:00		