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Dear

Thank you for your email of 14 February 2024 containing your request for information. The Government Legal Department ("GLD") have considered your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the Act", "FOIA").

Could you please provide me with a copy of your legal verdict on the COVID supply contracts received from AstraZeneca, Moderna and Pfizer?

Response

Pursuant to section 1(1)(a) of the Act, GLD informs you that it does not hold the information you have requested. GLD does not give legal verdicts on contracts. Its primary role is to advise HM Government departments on legal matters. As such, any legal advice given to HM Government departments is potentially subject to Legal Professional Privilege.

Subject to Section 16 of the Act, GLD has an obligation to provide advice and assistance to applicants. GLD advises you to direct your request to the UK Health Security Agency ("UKHSA"), as they may hold the information you have requested.

You can contact UKHSA at InformationRights@UKHSA.gov.uk

Your Rights

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask GLD for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted to GLD within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original correspondence. Please use the contact details provided at the top of this letter in order to request an internal review relating to your original request.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
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Water Lane
Wilmslow
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www.ICO.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

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