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Date:
18 June 2014

Dear [REDACTED]

Request for Information

Thank you for your letter of 1 May 2014 and apologies for the delay in replying. You asked:

The information that I require relates to the submission and approval of workmanship samples for the winning contractor on the above contract and lot number as follows.

- **Can the department confirm if all items have been subject to workmanship sample approval?**
- **Can the department confirm that all items have passed workmanship sample approval?**
- **Can the department confirm that all items passed by the department are fully compliant with the UKSC's?**
- **If any items are not compliant to the UKSC's but have been passed by the department as fit for supply as an alternative, can the department detail the item involved and the level of variances or deviations from the original specification?**

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

I can confirm that all items under this contract are subject to workmanship sample approval and currently work is ongoing to assess these items. I can also confirm that all items passed by the MOD are fully compliant with the United Kingdom Stores and Clothing Specifications.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, 1st Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

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For Head of Secretariat