Dear [Name],

Thank you for your e-mail of 24th November, addressed to FOI team. In your e-mail you requested:

A UKTI press release of 28 July 2010 stated that "some 54,000 jobs in the UK are linked to defence exports" (http://www.ukti.gov.uk/uktihome/media/pressRelease/114841.html). I would like to ask how that figure was calculated and for copies of any documents that were used in making the calculation.

The latest, and last, figures published by Defence Analytical Services and Advice (DASA) show that estimated employment from defence exports in 2007/08 was 65,000 (see link). The figure of 54,000 was given during a briefing as a best estimate, without access to the published DASA figure at the time. I apologise for any confusion that this may have created.


ADS (the trade association), estimates that Defence Exports support 55,000 jobs in the UK.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: @ukti.gsi.gov.uk.

Please remember to quote the reference number 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’s Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wimslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,

Signed [Name]

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