

Memorandum

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To: **Anita McDonald** Naval Service FoI Coordination Cell M3185-A38

From: **John H Large** 16 February 2010

Cc: Head of Corporate Information
Gareth Rowlands DE&S Policy Secretariat (Submarines)
David Hoadley SCANS

Subject: **SOTONSAFE – FOI REQUESTS**

Thank you for your e-mail and attachment of 16 February 2010, your Ref No 09-12-2009-142839-001, 09-12-2009-142015-001 and 09-12-2009-142446-002 - I have attached a copy of your e-mail below for reference.

Forgive me but I fail to understand why you choose to state that you will **not** be replying to my M3185-A38 memorandum of 16 February 2010 which is not specifically related to the subject matter of your e-mail (my request M3185-A25 of 9 December 2009). This is because my M3185-A38 quite specifically relates to the extraordinary delays in your response to my M3185-A15 requests (of 29 October 2009) along with others, which exceed the maximum of 40 workings days that the Information Commissioner considers adequate for all including exceptionally complex cases.

It might be that your apparent obstinate determination not to properly reference my correspondence and requests (as I have asked you to do previously) has resulted in an element of confusion in your management of my requests.

Whatever, I expect and await a reply from you on the matters raised in M3185-A38. However, if you persist in your refusal to reply then I require that the Ministry of Defence undertake an Internal Review of your reasoning for refusal to respond to M3185-A38 and if this Review is not to be undertaken immediately then I shall have no compunction but to lodge a complaint with the Office of the Information Commissioner - I have copied this note to the Head of Corporate Information for action in this regard.

----- Original Message -----

From: [FLEET-DCS FOICELL-f \(MULTIUSER\)](#)
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Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 5:21 PM
Subject: FOI REQUESTS - COPIES OF THREE NUCLEAR DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Please see the attached correspondence.

As this is now the substantive response to the above requests, I will not be replying separately to your letter of 16 February 2010.

Regards.

Anita McDonald
Navy Command HQ
Naval Service Freedom of Information Co-ordination Cell (NSFOICC)