

Ref: FOI2024- 037

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22 July 2024

Dear [REDACTED]

Further to our previous correspondence regarding your request for the following information:

A summary of all information held about 'ARCHIVE A6.1' and 'TEST VETERAN ARCHIVE A38.1'

Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act).

A search for the requested information within AWE Nuclear Security Technologies (AWE NST) now been completed, and we can confirm that information in scope of your request is held.

We are able to disclose the following information:

A summary of all information held about 'ARCHIVE A6.1'

Dosimetry information for AWE staff, and individuals' case files for the Compensation Scheme for Radiation Linked Diseases.

Dosimetry results from the UK atmospheric trials.

A summary of all information held about 'ARCHIVE A38.1'

Documents, reports, correspondence etc. relevant to the Grapple series of trials, collected to prepare the briefing note for the European Court of Human Rights Case.

Documents, reports, correspondence etc. submitted to the Australian Royal Commission as part of the enquiry into the UK atmospheric nuclear weapons trials held on Australian territory.

Personal dosimetry records for personnel at the UK nuclear weapons trials, clean-up operations, US Operation Dominic and UK monitoring of non-UK/US atmospheric trials.

Notes and reports of environmental sampling done at the time of the Grapple series of tests. Also subsequent reports.

Information on equipping of cloud sampling aircraft.

AWE reports, predominantly the 'T'(technical) series, on the UK atmospheric nuclear weapons trials. Also some 'O' (operational) reports.

Correspondence on personal cases relating to war pension claims, pension appeal tribunals, queries from MoD.

Regulations and Orders issued for each operation.

Miscellaneous documents on trials. Includes documents, correspondence, personal accounts, service journals and participants 'magazines', press cuttings, and subsequent relevant magazine articles.

Copies of RAF Operation Records Books (ORB), ORB Annexes and Ships logs, for participating squadrons/ships. Information on participating aircraft, ships.

Microfiche of participants in the UK nuclear weapons trials. Details collected by National Radiation Protection Board of individuals participating in the UK nuclear weapons trials.

Details of individuals issued with a security passes at the Maralinga site.

Information collected for summary papers. Information on UK nuclear weapons trials collected as part of the preparation of summary papers by AWE in 1990s on safety at the UK nuclear weapons trials.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications. If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you are unhappy with the way your request has been handled you have a right to request an internal review within 40 days of receiving this letter, by writing to information.requests@awe.co.uk or our postal address: Information Requests Team, AWE Aldermaston, Reading, RG7 4PR. If you are still unhappy after an internal review has been completed, under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 you have the right to take your complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office. Please note the Commissioner will generally not consider a complaint until you have exhausted AWE's internal complaints process.

Yours sincerely,

AWE Information Requests Team