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Thank you for your email of 20 May where you requested the following information:

*“Under the Freedom of Information Act, I am requesting information related to an brokering licence provided by you for the export of small arms ammunition to Saudi Arabia in 2014 from Bosnia.*

*According to information disclosed by the UK government to the EU for 2014, the UK granted a brokering licence for the export of 5.2m euro of ML3a ammunition from Bosnia to Saudi Arabia.*

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=OJ:C:2016:163:FULL&from=EN>

*I am requesting further information relating to the nature of the ML3a ammunition. In particular I would like to know:*

- 1) *The caliber of the ammunition*
- 2) *It's type - for example, whether it is ammunition for a firearm, mortar etc.*
- 3) *The quantity of ammunition exported”.*

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act'), you have the right to:

- know whether we hold the information you require
- be provided with that information (subject to any exemptions under the Act which may apply).

I can confirm that the Department holds information falling within scope of your request under questions 1) and 2) and is as follows:

- 1) The calibre of the ammunition is 5.56mm;
- 2) The “type” is small arms ammunition for an assault rifle.

For your final question (“the quantity of ammunition exported”) we do not have any records of ammunition shipped to Saudi Arabia under this licence, as the items are not exported from the UK. Please also note the licence has now expired.

### **Appeals procedure**

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 request and should be addressed to the Information Rights Unit:

Information Rights Unit  
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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, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,

Export Control Organisation