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Email Response

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Request Ref: 2924

Dear Ms Sullivan,

Thank you for your request for information, received at this office on **12/07/2023** in which you requested details of the following:

In the below request the phrase the phrase 'arms trade companies' relates to, but not limited to:

a company that is involved in any capacity in manufacturing (parts or complete), production, sales or exports of weapon systems (including small and light weapons, heavy and conventional weapons, and nuclear weapons) in one or more sectors (including dual-use purpose companies).

'Academic partnership policy or statement' refers to any commitment by the university to exclude arms trade companies from any of the following:

- *Graduate schemes/apprenticeships/Careers fair appearances*
- *Directly sponsored PhDs or Studentships*
- *Public donations - sponsored buildings/libraries etc*
- *Company involvement in university departments - i.e. MoD Laboratories, EPSRC centres for doctoral research.*
- *Dual employment of staff/management or lecturers - staff/management or lecturer employees who are also currently employed by an arms trade company*
- *Any consultancy role.*

Please may I request any relevant policy or statement within the last five years. Please can these be broken down by year and categorised accordingly:

- *Year of policy/statement release*
- *Name of senior management or council or committee that wrote or signed off the statement*
- *Name of the council or committee that oversees academic partnerships in any of the aforementioned capacities.*

The Freedom of Information Act requires that this request is dealt with in a manner that is motive and applicant blind. A disclosure under this legislation is considered a disclosure to the world and is considered to be on the basis that it is in the public interest.

Response

We have an Ethics Framework which includes a section around arms manufacturers. Please find attached.

If you are unhappy with how your request has been handled you have the right to ask for an internal review (within 40 days from receiving response). To request a review, please email

dataprotection@hull.ac.uk. The review will be conducted by the Data Protection Officer or University Secretary.

Should you remain dissatisfied following an internal review you may then appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at www.ico.org.uk or Tel 0303 123 1113.

Yours sincerely,

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