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Ben Watkins
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Dear Ben

RESPONSE TO YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

Thank you for your email of 9 August 2024, in which you requested, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), information pertaining to geo-engineering, weather modification and solar radiation management and mitigation.

By way of background, the Ministry of Defence (the Ministry) is a civilian agency that is responsible for the development of defence policy, international defence engagements and the delivery of major capability projects.

Following a search of the Ministry's records, we have identified no information relevant to your request. Therefore, your request is declined under section 18(g)(i) of the Act.

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to request the Ombudsman to investigate and review this response.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sophie'.

Sophie Vickers
Acting Deputy Secretary, Policy and Planning