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Dear [REDACTED]

RE: SCCL-FOI-2024/25-003

Thank you for your FOI request received by the FOI office requesting the following information:

- DHSC has informed me that all records relating to PPE procurement in 2020 have been passed to NHS Supply Chain.
Please list the contracts let to DHL in 2020 and 2021 by the Parallel Supply Chain team, detailing the dates of the contracts, the value and the products for which the contracts were let. Please identify those that were let to DHL without competition. Please also identify which were let to DHL through the "VIP Fast-track Route". If no contracts were let to DHL through the Parallel Supply Chain, please explain why, given their expertise in and knowledge of the SE Asia market.

Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and SCCL can confirm that it does not hold the information requested.

The government set up a Parallel Supply Chain for PPE and the "VIP Fast-track Route" and SCCL was not involved in any decision-making related to this route. Any questions on the operation of this route should be directed to the Department of Health and Social Care's FOI team.

We hope that this response addresses your request. However, if you are dissatisfied with this response, you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to the postal or e-mail addresses above, quoting the reference number above. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

As part of any internal review the handling of your information request will be reassessed by a member of SCCL staff who was not involved in providing you with this response. If you remain dissatisfied after this internal review, you will have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act.

If you require any further information do not hesitate to contact the FOI team.

Yours sincerely

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