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Dear

RE: SCCL-FOI-2025/26-071

Thank you for your FOI request received by the FOI office for the following information. Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and SCCL are able to provide a response in blue below:

- What was the total quantity of nitrile gloves ordered by the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) between February 2020 and July 2020?
   SCCL does not hold this information. You may wish to redirect your request to the DHSC.
- 2. What was the total stockpile of nitrile gloves held by SCCL or DHSC as of December 2020? Records held by SCCL show that on 14 December 2020 we held 3,972m gloves in stock.
- 3. On what date or under what decision was a procurement freeze for nitrile gloves introduced? SCCL does not hold this information. You may wish to redirect your request to the DHSC.
- 4. Were any new glove purchases made between July 2020 and June 2022, or was glove procurement halted due to surplus stock?

  Yes, there were glove purchases between those dates.
- 5. Which companies were awarded contracts to supply nitrile gloves to DHSC between February 2020 and July 2020?
  - We believe that the information you have requested is already reasonably accessible to you. It can be found <u>here.</u> All contracts with the DHSC were published on contracts finder stating which supplier(s) were awarded.
  - Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act exempts SCCL from having to provide you with this information, because it is already reasonably accessible.

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

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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

FOI Team

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