

Appellant's suggested questions for GC Beldon in closed session

- 1a. Can you clarify who you mean by 'sensitive and protected individuals on operations' who would be put at risk by the release of the requested information?
- 1b. Exactly how would releasing the number of operations outside OP SHADER put those individuals at risk?
- 1c. Exactly how would releasing the information about the location - even by geographical region - of operations outside of OP SHADER put those individuals at risk?
2. In what way exactly would the specific information requested enable an adversary to make a detailed assessment of the effectiveness of UK tactics and operations capabilities?"
3. How does releasing basic information about the number of Reaper sorties flown outside of OP SHADER raise prejudice under Section 26 FoIA that releasing the information about operations within OP SHADER does not?
4. Is it not true that rather than any specific significant risk, the real reason for refusing the information is that it somehow feared that it will set a precedent for the future? Or, as stated by the MoD, that it is refusing information now in order to retain 'ambiguity' and 'flexibility' in regard to future Reaper operations?