



## **Freedom of Information Request**

## 20th November 2024

## Question

Would it be possible to get the addresses of these stations, please? With that information we can geocode the data i.e., add grid references so it can be used with digital maps.

## **Answer**

We are withholding this information as the information requested is considered to be sensitive and therefore exempt under Section 31 (1) national security and defence. Under Section 31(1), 'information is exempt information if exemption from disclosure is required for the purpose of safeguarding national security.'

Providing the detail requested would reveal potential vulnerabilities allowing these to be mapped for weakness. There is a very strong public interest in preventing the SAS stations from being subject to attacks. Providing the type of information requested and subsequent online publication, would very likely provide potential attackers with useful intelligence relating to the footprint of SAS and possible exposure through third parties, which is not in the public interest.