

Ref: FOI2021-010

16th September 2021

Further to our email of 31st August 2021 regarding your request for the following information:

- 1) Any data analysis that AWE Blacknest possesses relating to seismic activity in the region of New York City, New York State, USA on the 11th September 2001.
- 2) Any reports both partially and/or fully created from the seismic data analysis collected from the region of New York City, New York state, USA on 11th September 2001.
- 3) If the original seismic data still exists and is not in your possession, then who is in possession?
- 4) If AWE Blacknest doesn't know who is in possession of the data, then who can I contact to find out who does?
- 5) Can AWE Blacknest confirm whether they possess seismic data analysis that correlates to the Richter scale readings of 2.3 magnitude and 2.1 magnitude on the morning of 11th September 2001 in the region of Manhattan island, New York City, NY state, USA?

Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act).

Thorough searches have been carried out to locate the information you requested and we can confirm that the Atomic Weapons Establishment (AWE) does not hold any information within the scope of your request.

Under Section 16(1) of the Act, public authorities have a duty to provide advice and assistance to requesters, as far as it is reasonable to do so. As explained in our response to your previous request dated 2nd August 2021 (ref: FOI2021-002), no seismic data was collected and recorded by AWE Blacknest in the region of New York City, United States of America on Tuesday 11th September 2001. We can confirm that there are no AWE reports or analysis of the data.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications. If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you are unhappy with the way your request has been handled you have a right to request an internal review within 40 days of receiving this letter, by writing to information.requests@awe.co.uk or our postal address: Information Requests Team, AWE Aldermaston, Reading, RG7 4PR. If you are still unhappy after an internal review has been completed, under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 you have the right to take your complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office. Please note the







Commissioner will generally not consider a complaint until you have exhausted AWE's internal complaints process.

Yours sincerely,

AWE Information Requests Team