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Date: 8 May 2025
Reference: F0007371

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request of 26 April 2025, for the release of information held by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA). For reference your original enquiry was as follows:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I formally request access to information regarding any government-authorised, funded, approved, or otherwise sanctioned activities related to the following:

- 1. Programs or operations involving solar radiation management (SRM), stratospheric aerosol injection (SAI), or any other form of geoengineering intended to reduce the amount of sunlight reaching the earth's surface over the United Kingdom.*
- 2. The use, release, or atmospheric dispersal of aerosols, particulates, chemicals, or other substances into the atmosphere for the purposes of climate modification, weather modification, or any associated environmental interventions.*
- 3. Health, safety, and environmental impact assessments carried out in relation to such activities, if any.*
- 4. Details of any internal or external consultations, public notices, parliamentary debates, or legislative authorisations regarding the above activities.*
- 5. Contracts, agreements, or communications with any third parties, including but not limited to private contractors, research institutions, or international bodies (such as the United Nations, World Economic Forum, or other national governments) relating to these activities.*
- 6. Any monitoring data or assessments regarding ground-level environmental effects (such as air quality, soil contamination, water contamination, and public health implications) as a result of these activities.*
- 7. Any departmental communications regarding public transparency, risk management, or public relations strategies associated with the activities described above.*

Your request has been considered in line with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). I can confirm that following a review of held information it has been reasonably determined that the CAA holds no information within scope of the above request. If I may I shall address some of your points in more detail:

1. Programs or operations involving solar radiation management (SRM), stratospheric aerosol injection (SAI), or any other form of geoengineering intended to reduce the amount of sunlight reaching the earth's surface over the United Kingdom.

The CAA is not aware of any UK commercial operators undertaking Stratospheric Aerosol Injection of the skies or of any other form of geoengineering intended to reduce the amount of sunlight reaching the earth's surface over the United Kingdom.

2. The use, release, or atmospheric dispersal of aerosols, particulates, chemicals, or other substances into the atmosphere for the purposes of climate modification, weather modification, or any associated environmental interventions.

The CAA is not aware of any government-authorised, funded, approved, or otherwise sanctioned activities for the use, release, or atmospheric dispersal of aerosols, particulates, chemicals, or other substances.

Elements 3 to 7

The CAA is not aware of and do not hold any information with respect to elements 3 to 7.

If you are not satisfied with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you should approach the CAA in writing at:-

FOI.Requests@caa.co.uk

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Information Commissioner's Office
FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
SK9 5AF
<https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

If you wish to request further information from the CAA, please use the form on the CAA website at FOI - Freedom of Information (caa.co.uk).

Yours sincerely
Communications & Engagement Team
Information Rights Specialist
Civil Aviation Authority

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CAA INTERNAL REVIEW & COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

- The original case to which the appeal or complaint relates is identified and the case file is made available;
- The appeal or complaint is allocated to an Appeal Manager, the appeal is acknowledged and the details of the Appeal Manager are provided to the applicant;
- The Appeal Manager reviews the case to understand the nature of the appeal or complaint, reviews the actions and decisions taken in connection with the original case and takes account of any new information that may have been received. This will typically require contact with those persons involved in the original case and consultation with the CAA Legal Department;
- The Appeal Manager concludes the review and, after consultation with those involved with the case, and with the CAA Legal Department, agrees on the course of action to be taken;
- The Appeal Manager prepares the necessary response and collates any information to be provided to the applicant;
- The response and any necessary information is sent to the applicant, together with information about further rights of appeal to the Information Commissioners Office, including full contact details.