

Are you aware that the contract for the collection of the 2011 Census data has been awarded to US weapons manufacturer, Lockheed Martin?

- Yes
 No

How do you feel about being legally obliged to give your personal data to international arms dealers?

- Angry and upset
 A little bit uncomfortable
 Grudgingly accepting
 It doesn't bother me at all

Do you feel that you have been properly informed about Lockheed Martin's involvement?

- I knew all about it
 I'd heard a little bit about it
 I've heard nothing about it. It seems like they've been trying to keep it quiet

Do you think that paying an arms manufacturer £150 million to run a census is a good idea?

- Yes, it's a great idea
 Something seems wrong with this
 Hang on, isn't there a huge budget deficit?

How are you going to resist?

- Refuse to complete the census
 Be wilfully obstructive – delay my response, and make things as difficult as possible
 I'm happy to hand over my personal details to arms manufacturers

Guidance

Lockheed Martin are the world's second-largest weapons manufacturer; they make 'Trident' nuclear missiles, and own a one third share of Britain's Aldermaston atomic weapons facility. Currently, the greatest area of growth for Lockheed Martin is in 'Intelligence and Surveillance', and as part of this work the company have been moving into data collection.

“Lockheed Martin UK will be acting as the prime contractor and will be developing the systems to be used to handle and process the Census data” - UK Cabinet Office Report

Additional Guidance

There are many reasons why people may not wish to comply, from concerns about the security of their personal data, to not wishing to boost the profits of a weapons manufacturer. What you do, or do not do now, is up to you.