

No. I mean me, me personally I think the kit was excellent. The vehicles that we had, mm, the weapons, the body armour, the helmets, everything. You know as far, on, from my point of view was good enough. Mm, the Vallons that are used to detect for the mines and everything they were good. But, the, like I say, the drama is there's always kit shortages and, you know, you can't just, you can't just complain about it you've just got to deal with the issue and...

*Mm, mm.*

And, mm, we, we had excellent kit out there.

I think a lot of, a lot of families without going into, you know, without going into anything in a big way here but I think a lot of families have become probably quite bitter that they've lost loved ones and all the rest of it. And sometimes there is faults in the system that we haven't used the kit properly or people haven't been wearing the right kit at the right time. Mm, and you can look for blame at all times.

*Mm.*

You know, you could say there wasn't enough air power out there.

Yes.

Enough helicopters, but I always got a lift wherever I needed to go. And you could say there wasn't enough Vallons, but every patrol that was hit by an IED always had a Vallon so... We never deployed without enough kit and equipment and that was evident all the way throughout. And the, the public can be rest assured that we've always got the kit that we need, always got the kit that we need. And we've got such a high standard of equipment that you can have too much at times so there's no worries there. Not with 3 Rifles anyway.