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Mr Andrew Mitchell (Sutton Coldfield): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment he has made of the effects on the health of police officers from radiation emissions from Tetra handsets issued to police forces.

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Since the rollout of Airwave radio began in 2001, the Government has made a considerable investment into research into the safety of the TETRA technology. None of the research to date has produced any evidence that Airwave is harmful to health.

All Airwave terminals comply fully with international safety standards and exposure levels are typically lower than those of the analogue terminals that they replaced.