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## UK: Lucasfilm Ltd & Ors v Ainsworth & Anor (Supreme Court), 27 July 2011

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Helmets and armours created for the characters of the Imperial Stormtrooper in the film Star Wars are not “sculptures”, and therefore are not copyrightable subject matter within the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988. Nevertheless, a claim for infringement of a US copyright is justiciable in the United Kingdom, provided there is a basis for in personam jurisdiction over the defendant. (*Stavroula Karapapa & Maurizio Borghi, Brunel University*).

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