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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your email which we received on 6 August.

You asked for the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

- 1. How much has your Department spent on press and communications in the financial year 2011/2012?*
- 2. How many full-time equivalent press officers have been employed in 2011/2012 in your Department?*
- 3. How much has your Department spent on hiring private PR firms during 2011/2012? If they were hired for a specific project, please give the title and explanation of what the project was and how much they were paid for their work on that project.*

I am writing to confirm that the Scotland Office has now completed its search for information.

A breakdown of the cost to run the press office is not available in the form requested. The Scotland Office is a small office and no separate running costs are held for individual areas in it.

We employed two full-time equivalent press officers in 2011/12.

The Department did not hire any private PR firms during 2011/12.

I hope you find this helpful.

If you are dissatisfied with the decision made in relation to your request you may ask for an internal review. A request for an internal review should be addressed to:

FOI Officer
1 Melville Crescent

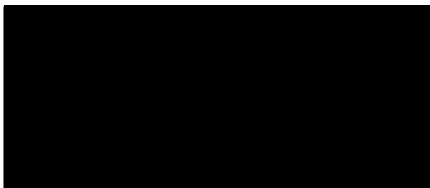
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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The contact details are:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
CHESHIRE
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If you have any queries about this letter please contact me.

Yours sincerely



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