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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your email sent to the Scotland Office on 26 November 2012.

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

- 1) *The total amount expected/budgeted for bonuses to be given in December 2012.*
- 2) *The total amount spent on Christmas bonuses for (a) December 2011 (b) December 2010.*
- 3) *The total number of bonuses which the department expects to give in December 2012.*
- 4) *The total number of bonuses given by the department in (a) December 2011, (b) December 2010.*
- 5) *The highest single bonus paid to an employee in (a) December 2011, (b) December 2010.*

Additionally, please provide the total costs/ expected costs of any material Christmas bonuses given in (a) 2012 (b) 2011 (c) 2010, e.g. mobile phones, laptops, holidays, etc.

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

The Scotland Office does not pay Christmas bonuses to any of its staff nor does it offer any form of material gifts.

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:

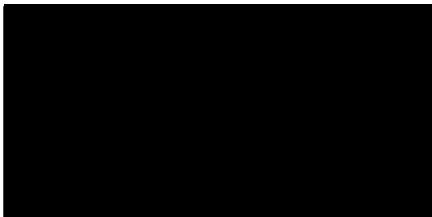
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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The contact details are:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
CHESHIRE
SK9 5AF

If you have any queries about this letter please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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