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Thank you for your email of 20 April 2017 asking for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You asked:

Please could you tell me how much the British government has spent in total since 2009 on demining in the Falkland Islands.

I can confirm that the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) does hold information relevant to your request. I can confirm that Her Majesty's Government (HMG) has spent £16,604,385 on Falkland Islands demining since 2009.

This figure includes spend during the first financial year (FY16/17) of Phase 5 of demining, which the UK is only currently part way into – phase 5 commenced in October 2016. The United Kingdom takes its international obligations under the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention seriously, which includes removing all mines from sovereign territory. Demining has been funded by various departments including the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Ministry of Defence, Department for International Development and HMG's Conflict Security and Stability Fund.

Yours sincerely,

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