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Reference: [REDACTED]

31 August 2006

Dear [REDACTED]

I write in response to your e-mail of 9 August requesting information on Home Office funding of the Football Supporters' Federation.

As requested, I enclose a breakdown of expenditure of the funding given by the Home Office to the FSF in the period 2003/4-2006/7, and also the funding given to FSF Cymru/Wales. The FSF have also received funding from the FCO, DCMS and FA. No funding has been given to supporters groups in Scotland as this is the responsibility of the Scottish Executive. The Football Foundation and other organisations provide funding for other community based projects.

The Home Office part funds the international work of the Football Supporters Federation and their highly respected fans' embassies service which provides independent advice and support to travelling fans. The FSF are ideally placed to assist in ensuring all fans will know what to expect before they leave England and Wales. Supporter information guides provide general advice to travelling fans and additional information to fans on acceptable behaviour, policing and consular matters. The Government also

provides support for fan-led initiatives designed to generate goodwill, positive images of English fans and reassure host authorities, media and public.

The independence of FSF is their strength in that it enables them (and us) to relay important messages to a constituency which tends to be cynical about FA and other "official" advice. Ultimately the onus is on the fans themselves to take responsibility for their actions. They stand to benefit most from improving the reputation of English football. That is why the Government will continue to work closely with supporters groups to find ways of eliminating racism and bad behaviour amongst supporters.

A grant providing funding for the FSF's England team international work has been offered in the amount of £40,000 for the financial years commencing 1/4/06 and 1/4/07. A grant providing funding for FSF Cymru's international work in the sum of £6,000 covering 1/4/06-31/3/08 has also been offered. Neither offer has been formally accepted or signed by the recipient organisations concerned, therefore the grants cannot be considered finalised.

As requested, I also enclose copies of Home Office correspondence with the FSF during 2005 and 2006.

I hope you will find this helpful.

Yours sincerely



Football Supporters Federation Payments Made

2003/4

Date	Amount £
April 2003-March 2004	40,000.00
01/10/2003	3,476.83
7-11/6/03	792.75
26/08/2003	2,665.00
4-8/9/03	3,521.38
17-19/9/03	816.00
27/9/03-9/10/03	4,040.35
16/02/2004	5,808.79
Nov-03	2,361.00
23/03/2004	4,000.00
31/03/2004	4,927.05
	<u>72,409.15</u>

FSF Grant (paid quarterly)
 Free Lions 25 England v Serbia, Slovakia
 Reconaissance in Macedonia
 Free Lions 26 England v Croatia
 FSF Fans Embassy for Macedonia v England
 Reconaissance in Istanbul
 FSF Fans Embassy in Serbia and Slovakia
 FSF Fans Embassy Portugal v England
 Free Lions England v Denmark
 Euro 2004 advance funding for support workers
 FSF Fans Embassy for Sweden v England

2004/5

April 2004-March 2005	40,000.00
04/06/2004	12,000.00
01/06/2004	5,665.00
08/06/2004	283.00
14/07/2004	10,847.00
18/08/2004	2,614.00
04/08/2004	11,670.45
09/10/2004	2,844.00
Oct-04	9,467.31
08/12/2004	7,155.04
09/02/2005	2,726.00
30/03/2005	2,724.00
26/03/2005	3,046.00
	<u>111,041.80</u>

FSF Grant (paid quarterly)
 Fans Parliament
 Euro 2004 Fans Guide
 Euro 2004 Fans Guide
 Free Lions magazine
 FSF Free Lions England v Ukraine
 FSF Fans Embassies in Austria and Poland
 England v Wales
 FSF Fans Embassy in Azerbaijan
 FSF Fans Embassy for Spain v England
 Free Lions England v Holland
 Free Lions England v Azerbaijan
 Free Lions 43 England v Northern Ireland

2005/6

April 2005-March 2006	40,000.00
3/4/5 June	6,000.00
13/01/2006	15,000.00
01/03/2006	3,152.00
May-05	4,920.00
Sep-05	4,015.79
Aug-05	5,937.69
Sep-05	2,921.55
13/10/2005	6,138.00
Nov-05	7,434.92
	<u>95,519.95</u>

FSF Grant (paid quarterly)
 Fans Parliament 3/4/5 June 2005
 FSF Fans Guide to Germany
 Free Lions England v Uruguay
 Free Lions USA, Colombia v England
 Free Lions N Ireland v England
 Free Lions Denmark v England
 Free Lions Wales v England
 Free Lions, Poland, Austria v England
 FSF Fans Embassy in Geneva and Free Lions England v Argentina

2006/7

Apr-06	20,000.00
26/05/2006	3,000.00
06/06/2006	4,195.00
06/06/2006	4,195.00
06/06/2006	4,975.00
01/07/2006	5,000.00
01/07/2006	14,201.46
	<u>55,566.46</u>

50% of annual FSF Grant
 Admin support for Fans Embassy at World Cup
 Free Lions 54
 Free Lions 55
 World Cup Free Lions 56
 World Cup Free Lions 57-60 design
 World Cup Free Lions 57-60 printing

FSF WALES

4-6/9/03	5,757.34
14-16/11/03	4,625.44
2-5/9/04	5,097.03
30/03/2005	2,445.68
08/10/2005	1,652.00
16/11/2005	480.93
18/10/2005	3,402.00
20/05/2006	496.50
	<u>23,956.92</u>

Wales Fans Embassy Milan for Italy v Wales
 Wales Fans Embassy Moscow for Russia v Wales
 Welsh Fans Embassy in Azerbaijan
 Wales Fans Embassy Vienna for Austria v Wales
 Wales Fans Embassy Belfast for N Ireland v Wales
 Supporter Literature for Cyprus v Wales
 Wales Fans Embassy Warsaw for Poland v Wales
 Supporter Literature matches against Trinidad & Tobago and Basque XI

Home Office Grant 2005/6 – FSF Cymru

Work Programme

- FSF Cymru will provide a "Fans' Embassy" service for Wales World Cup 2006 matches in Austria, Poland and Northern Ireland.
- This will be an advisory service, accessible both face-to-face and via a publicised phone number, for the traveling supporters of Wales' national football team.
- You will collate and distribute useful information to supporters as appropriate.
- After each Fans' Embassy you will submit a report, with copies of any literature produced, to the Home Office within 28 days.

Budget

- Grant monies shall be reimbursed as a contribution towards actual costs incurred.
- The maximum grant funding totals £7,500 for the year.
- This amount will be reimbursed in arrears, broadly proportioned between the three Fans' Embassies (to a maximum of £3,000 for a single match).

Home Office
8 February 2005



Home Office

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Our Ref POPCU/FD/FSFCYMRU
Your Ref
Date 1 February 2005

[REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

FORMAL OFFER OF GRANT: FUNDING FOR THE OPERATION OF FANS' EMBASSIES AT AWAY INTERNATIONAL MATCHES OF THE WALES NATIONAL FOOTBALL TEAM

1. I am writing to make FSF Cymru a formal offer of a grant for the financial year commencing 1 April 2005.
2. This offer is subject to the terms and conditions set out below and in the enclosed Standard Terms and Conditions of Grant (April 2005). Please read these conditions, and this letter, carefully. Your attention is drawn particularly to the introduction and to paragraph 2.1. The Special Terms and Conditions set out below should also be noted.
3. The purpose of the grant is to assist FSF Cymru provide a Fans' Embassy service at Wales' World Cup 2006 qualifying fixtures in Austria, Poland and Northern Ireland. You must, therefore, treat the money as restricted funds for accounting purposes.
4. The sum offered for the financial year commencing 1 April 2005 is a maximum of £7,500.
5. You may use the money only for the activities specified in the Work Programme and Budget agreed between your organisation and the Home Office.

Payment of the Grant

6. Grant monies shall be reimbursed as a contribution towards actual costs incurred. The maximum grant funding is £7,500 for the year. This amount will be reimbursed in arrears, broadly proportioned between the three Fans' Embassies (to a maximum of £3,000 for a single match). Your attention is drawn to paragraph 9 of the Standard Terms and Conditions of Grant (April 2005).

Future Grants

7. The grant will expire on 31 March 2006. Should you wish to receive funding after that date, you will need to make an application no later than three months before the expiry date of this grant.

Special Terms and Conditions

8. FSF Cymru will provide a "Fans' Embassy" service for Wales World Cup 2006 matches in Austria, Poland and Northern Ireland. This will be an advisory service, accessible both face-to-face and via a publicised phone number, for the traveling supporters of Wales' national football team. You will collate and distribute useful information to supporters as appropriate. After each Fans' Embassy you will submit a report, with copies of any literature produced, to the Home Office within 28 days.
9. FSF Cymru will demonstrate a commitment to creating opportunities for volunteers to contribute to the activities of the organization.

Contact Points and Questions

10. The person monitoring your work during the year will be [REDACTED]
11. [REDACTED] will be responsible for paying you the grant, and for monitoring your compliance with our grant conditions, so please address your reports, management committee papers, publications etc direct to [REDACTED]
12. Should you have any questions about any of the matters mentioned in this letter, please feel free to telephone me on [REDACTED]
13. To signify your acceptance of this offer you should have one copy of this letter signed (below) and returned to [REDACTED] I should also be grateful if you could provide details of the Bank Account name, number and sort code to which the grant should be paid.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]



Home Office

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[REDACTED]

Our Ref POR/04
Your Ref
Date 1 November 2004

Dear [REDACTED]

FORMAL OFFER OF GRANT: FUNDING FOR THE FOOTBALL SUPPORTERS' FEDERATION (INTERNATIONAL)

1. I am writing to make you a formal offer of a grant for the financial year commencing 1 April 2005.
2. This offer is subject to the terms and conditions set out below.
3. The purpose of the grant is to support the work of the Football Supporters' Federation (International). You must, therefore, treat the money as restricted funds for accounting purposes.
4. The sum offered for the financial year commencing 1 April 2005 is £40,000.
5. You may use the money only for the activities specified in the Work Programme and Budget agreed between your organisation and the Home Office.

Payment of the Grant

6. The Grant will be paid quarterly.

Future Grants

7. The grant will expire on 31 March 2006. Should you wish to receive funding after that date, you will need to make an application no later than six months before the expiry date of this grant.

Special Terms and Conditions

8. You will contribute to Home Office football-related policy development by submitting details of your work in a report to the Home Office.
9. You will act as a source of expertise and experience to Government on issues relevant to the work of this Department on football disorder.

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