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**Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your email of 05 May 2017 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).  You asked:

1. **How many people does your department employ to defend against cyber-attacks (could you detail this for the past five years as below) please?**
2. **How much money does your department spend on defending against cyber-attacks (could you detail this for the past five years as below) please?**

I can confirm that the Office of the Advocate General (OAG) does not hold the information you have requested. All OAG's information technology services are provided by the Scottish Government. All requests for information in relation to ICT including cyber security breaches should be submitted to them. You can use the link below to go to their FOI site.

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/About/Information/FOI>

You may, if dissatisfied with the treatment of your request, ask the Office of the Advocate General to conduct an internal review of its decision.  The internal review will be conducted by someone other than the person who took the initial decision.  Requests for internal review should be addressed to the Information Officer, Office the Advocate General, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ.

If following the internal review you remain dissatisfied with the treatment of your request by OAG then you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner, whose address is Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.  Details of the complaints procedure can be found here:

<http://www.ico.gov.uk/complaints/freedom_of_information.aspx>

Yours sincerely

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