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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 REQUEST REF: 1046-15

Thank you for your email of 31 October asking for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You asked:

This is a Freedom of Information request for copies, preferably in electronic format, of any and all emails, files, letters or correspondence on paper or sent electronically related in any way to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender persons in Iran received or sent by anyone at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

I wish to receive public records for the period January 1, 2014, through October 31, 2015.

I am writing to confirm that we have now completed the search for the information which you requested.

I can confirm that the Foreign and Commonwealth Office does hold information relevant to your request. Under section 21 of the Act, we are not required to provide information in response to a request if it is already reasonably accessible to you. The information relevant to your request can be found at:

http://www.parliament.uk/written-questions-answers-statements/writtenquestion/commons/2014-09-26/209365 http://www.hrdreport.fco.gov.uk/iran/ http://www.theguardian.com/world/2013/oct/10/iran-arrests-network-homosexual-satanists

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Yours sincerely,

Arabian Penninsula and Iran Department



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