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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST REF: 0354-17

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 7 April 2017.

In your request you asked for;

- copies of all correspondence relating to the "Promotores de Paz Estudiantil" project with Miranda state in Venezuela , which took place in 2010/1;.
- How much money was given to the Miranda government in 2010/1 by the British government for the "Promotores de Paz Estudiantil" project.

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.

Section 21

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.

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Section 40

Some of the information you have requested, is personal data relating to third parties, the disclosure of which would contravene one of the data protection principles. In such circumstances sections 40(2) and (3) of the Freedom of Information Act apply. In this case, our view is that disclosure would breach the first data protection principle. This states that personal data should be processed fairly and lawfully. It is the fairness aspect of this principle, which, in our view, would be breached by disclosure. In such circumstances, s.40 confers an absolute exemption on disclosure. There is, therefore, no public interest test to apply.

We had considered that some of the information should be withheld under section 27 – International Relations and section 38 – Health and Safety. I am pleased to say that after consultation these exemptions do not apply and no information has been withheld under section 27 or section 38.

Yours sincerely,

South America Department



We keep and use information in line with the Data Protection Act 1998. We may release this personal information to other UK government departments and public authorities.