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Dear

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Huawei Technologies; Products Purchased and Operational or Consulting Services.

Thank you for your request for information about whether the department purchased any equipment manufactured by Huawei Technologies or commissioned the company to provide operational or consulting services, which we received on 18 October 2013. We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

You asked:

1. Has your department purchased equipment manufactured by Huawei Technologies at any point in the three years up to 30th September 2013?

If so, please provide details in each case of the nature of the equipment, the date purchased, and the sum paid.

2. Has your department commissioned Huawei Technologies to provide operational or consulting services at any point in the three years up to 30th September 2013?

If so, please provide details in each case of the nature of the services, the date purchased, and the sum paid.

In response:

The department has not directly purchased any equipment manufactured by Huawei Technologies in the three years to 30 September 2013.



The department has not commissioned Huawei Technologies to provide operational or consulting services in the three years to 30th September 2013.

As part of the Department's contract with Vodafone, 3G Wifi adapters and 3G cards are purchased from Vodafone and are made by Huawei. Over the three years to 30 September 2013, Defra has purchased 124 3G Wifi adapters and 37 3G cards, making 161 in total from this third party. The cost of these varied depending on whether the purchase was a new contract, an upgrade or a replacement. The details of these purchases are shown in the tables below:

Quantity of Huawei products purchased through Vodafone by price paid and model number for the three years to 30 September 2013

Model	Price	Quantity Purchased
E3730	£84 - £99	34
E870	£17.33	3
R201	£38 - £88	22
R205	£50 - £118	86
R206	£60 - £90	16
Total		161

Quantity of Huawei products purchased through Vodafone by calendar year and model number for the three years to 30 September 2013

Model	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
E3730	7	14	13	-	34
E870	3	-	-	-	3
R201	-	-	22	-	22
R205	-	-	52	34	86
R206	-	-	-	16	16
Total	10	14	87	50	161

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I attach Annex A, which explains the copyright that applies to the information being released to you.

I also attach Annex B giving contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me.

Yours

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Annex A

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Annex B

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, section 50 of the FOIA and regulation 18 of the EIRs gives you the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Please note that generally the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have first exhausted Defra's own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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