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**Your Freedom Of Information Request: 0024-17** 

Thank you for your email of 09 January asking for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You asked:

What was the cost to the Department of the UK's membership of The Council of Europe and what proportion of such expenditure related to a) The European Court of Human Rights and b) Parliamentary Assembly for the Council of Europe?

Please provide the figures separately for 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 if available.

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 <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/annual-report-and-accounts">https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/annual-report-and-accounts</a> which details the FCO's Annual Report and Accounts for the period you are seeking. The relevant figures will be listed under the UK's subscriptions to international organisations.

The UK pays an overall figure to the Council Of Europe ordinary budget which then – along with other Member State contributions - distributes the money amongst its relevant institutions, so we cannot give an exact figure on what proportion of UK funds go to either the Court or the Parliamentary Assembly.

Yours sincerely,

Human Rights and Democracy Department



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