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Dear

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: SECONDMENTS TO PRIVATE SECTOR FIRMS IN EACH OF THE LAST FIVE FINANCIAL YEARS

Thank you for your request for information about secondments to private sector firms in each of the last five financial years, which we received on 13 November 2014. As you know, we have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). I apologise for the delay in responding.

You asked for:

“Secondments to private sector firms in each of the last five financial years broken down into the number, duration and destination of each secondment.”

A summary of the information you requested is as follows, this covers core Defra only:

Organisation	Start year	Duration
ASDA	2011-12	6 months
Behavioural Design Lab	2014-15	2.2 months
College of Europe	2012-13	10 months
Gardline	2010-11	1 year 10 months
Gardline	2011-12	1 year 7.4 months
GDF Suez E&P UK	2014-15	1 year
J Sainsbury's	2010-11	1 year 3 months
LOCOG	2012-13	5 months
LOCOG	2012-13	4 months
LOCOG	2012-13	1 month
SERCO	2011-12	2 years
UK Financial Investments	2013-14	1 year 1 month
URS Infrastructure & Environment	2013-14	5.6 months

This information refers to new secondments that started in each of the financial years between 1 April 2010 and 30 November 2014.



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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 sincerely,

Defra FOIA and EIRs Team

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Annex A

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