OFFICE OF THE ADVOCATE GENERAL

the UK Government's Scottish Legal Team

Area G-G OAG Victoria Quay Edinburgh EH6 6QQ

Date: 31/10/13

Dear [Redacted]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your FOI enquiry detailed below.

Dear Sir/Madam.

Please find below a request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act. I would be very grateful if you could supply the requested information on your department:

- 1.) How many Christmas trees (real or artificial) did the department purchase last year (calendar year 2012) for display on the department's premises? ("Christmas trees" to be defined in the traditional sense, i.e. real or artificial fir trees used for traditional festive decorative purposes)
- 2.) Of the Christmas trees purchased, what was the total cost to the department of each tree as invoiced by the supplier?
- 3.) Were any of these Christmas trees purchased using a dedicated e-procurement platform, as opposed to a traditional paper-based invoicing process?

I am writing to tell you that having completed our search for this information, I can confirm that the Office of the Advocate General did not purchase any Christmas trees last year, either real or artificial.

If you are dissatisfied with the treatment of your request, you can ask OAG to conduct an internal review of its decision. The internal review will be conducted by someone other than the person who took the initial decision. Requests for internal review should be addressed to the Information Officer, Office of the Solicitor to the Advocate General, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ.

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Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.
Yours sincerely
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