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Dear

RE: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your email of 7 February 2013 where you requested the following information:

"Please can you provide details of all ministerial gifts worth less than £140 received in the last five years.

In each case, please provide the name of the minister, date received, who the gift was from, its value, and whether it was kept."

We cannot provide the information you have requested as your request is too wide and the effort to administer your request would exceed the limit prescribed in Regulations made pursuant to Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This limit is £600 and which represents the estimated cost of spending 24 hours in determining whether the Department holds such information, and locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Where the estimated cost is above this limit, we are not obliged to comply with a request.

You may wish to refine your request by narrowing its scope by being more specific about what information you particularly wish to obtain, such as considering a shorter timescale or specific Ministers. We would be happy to consider if any revised request could be dealt with within the cost limit.

Appeals procedure

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and

should be addressed to the Security & Information Rights Unit (foi@decc.gsi.gov.uk).

Security & Information Rights Unit (DECC Shared Service)
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely