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Thank you for your email of 20 October September asking for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You asked:

I would like to know how much it cost the Foreign and Commonwealth Office to get Jeremy Clarkson, Richard Hammond, James May and the Top Gear team out of Argentina after the number plate furore at the end of September/beginning of October.

I would like the cost broken down into different categories please - flights, security, cost of sending Foreign Office manpower to Argentina and anything else that was incurred.

I am writing to confirm that we have now completed the search for the information which you requested.

I can confirm that the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) does hold information relevant to your request.

The Foreign and Commonwealth Office did not incur any costs in providing assistance to the Top Gear team. The consular support provided to the Top Gear Team was covered by existing Foreign & Commonwealth Office resources without incurring any additional costs.

In keeping with the spirit and effect of the Freedom of Information Act, all information is assumed to be releasable to the public unless it is exempt. The information we have supplied to you may now be published on our website together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context.

Yours sincerely,

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