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Our ref: FOI 2015/01073

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RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your email of 16th January 2015 requesting details of the Department of Energy and Climate Change's expenditure on interpreters in 2013-14.

You specifically asked:-

1. how much the Department spent on interpreters/translators in 2013-14?
2. how much was spent specifically on sign language interpreters?

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act'), you have the right to:

- know whether we hold the information you require
- be provided with that information (subject to any exemptions under the Act which may apply).

The Department uses the services of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office for any required interpretation and translations and in 2013-14 the amount spent was £168k on interpreters and £16k on translation services. We do not hold any information which identifies whether any of the spend was for sign-language interpretation.

Appeal 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 e-mail and should be addressed to the Information Rights Unit (foi@decc.gsi.gov.uk).

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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.