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## Dear,

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 REQUEST REF: 0331-15

Thank you for your email of 30/3/15 asking for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You asked:

Could you please provide me with a report showing the amount your IT department spent on recruitment agency staff in 2014. I would like this information to be broken down by function or job title or project name.

I would also like to know which recruitment agencies were used by the IT department in 2014.

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.

- 1. The FCO's Knowledge & Technology Directorate spent £803,993 on recruitment agency staff in 2014.
- The agency staff were employed to provide specialist support in the procurement of our main IT system, having skill sets that could not be found elsewhere within the FCO.
- 3. The agency staff were employed through a commercial framework that the FCO has with Hays Recruitment PLC.

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Yours sincerely,

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