Handling Freedom of Information requests

- "1. What were the total resource costs to the Department for International Development for dealing with FOI requests for the year 2014, and separately, 2013?
- 2. How many requests were submitted in each of these years (up until the most recent point where data is available)?"

DFID does not hold information relevant to part 1 of your request.

DFID holds information relevant to part 2 of your request. Much of this information is exempt from disclosure under Section 21 (1) (Information accessible to the applicant by other means) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as it is already reasonably accessible to you from the GOV.UK website.

The Ministry of Justice routinely publishes statistical information on the handling of FOI requests by central government departments, including DFID. This includes the number of requests received. You can find the information for the period January 2013 to September 2014 here.

Information on the number of requests received in the period October to December 2014 will be published in due course. As this information is intended for future publication, it is exempt from disclosure at this point under Section 22 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I have set out our analysis of the public interest factors relating to this qualified exemption below.