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Our reference: BVFOI/084/16 re Aleksander Lysenko

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

You asked for the following information from the Government Legal Department ("the Department"):

I would be grateful of the details of the claimant.

Your request will be dealt with by the Bona Vacantia Division ("the Division") under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I have interpreted your request to mean that you require information as to whether a claim to the estate has been admitted.

The Division publishes a list of unclaimed estates which have been recently referred, but not yet administered, and historic cases which have not yet been claimed by entitled relatives.

You can find the list here https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/unclaimed-estates-list#the-list

The Government Legal Department will only advertise estates that are claimable and appear to be solvent. Any estates where the Bona Vacantia division (BVD) no longer has an interest, for example, when a claim to an estate has been admitted, will be removed daily.

Since the information as to whether a claim has been admitted is reasonably accessible to you by other means it is therefore exempt from disclosure under section 21 of the Act. This exemption confers absolute exemption from the requirement to provide information pursuant to section 1(1)(b) of the Act.

