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### **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 REQUEST REF: 1135-15**

Thank you for your email dated 26 November 2015 asking for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You asked;

*'In response to one of my previous requests, you informed me of productions that had 'significant input' from your department including Channel 4: Our Man In and BBC1: Holiday Hit Squad. I request that copies of all documents relating to and/or detailing the production assistance granted by the FCO to these two productions be released to me.'*

#### **Outcome of Search**

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.

#### **Disclosure**

Please find attached the information relevant to your request.

We have to withhold personal data relating to third parties. To release this data would contravene one of the data protection principles and we are therefore withholding this information under section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

The withheld information is personal information relating to third parties. In such circumstances sections 40 (2) and (3) of the FOIA apply. In this case, our view is that disclosure would breach the first data protection principle. This states that personal data should be processed fairly and lawfully. It is the fairness aspect, which, in our view, would be breached by disclosure. In such circumstances, S 40 confers an absolute exemption on disclosure. There is, therefore, no public interest test to apply.

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Yours sincerely,

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