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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 REQUEST REF: 0843-15

Thank you for your email of 22 August 2015 asking for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You asked for:

A list of all films (documentaries, entertainment movies, motion pictures) that the FCO has participated in the production of in the last five years, up to the date of this request. In the event such a list is unavailable I request that any partial lists or similar records that might serve as a complete or partial list be provided to me.

I would prefer electronic forms of any records responsive to my request instead of paper copies, so as to reduce unnecessary costs and use of natural resources. I would prefer email attachments but would accept CD-ROM if not.

Following a conversation with you to clarify exactly what you are interested in we agreed that you were happy for the response to be limited to items where UK departments of the FCO had been involved rather than where Posts overseas may have commissioned local items. Also you are interested in larger items such as major movies and longer documentaries rather than where we had provided news clips of, for example, a Minister doing a piece to camera.

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.

Please find attached the information that the FCO can release to you. This is a partial list due to the fact that we do not routinely log all instances where assistance is given to production companies.

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Yours sincerely

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Partial list of films (documentaries, entertainment movies, motion pictures) that the FCO has participated in the production of in the last five years (from August 2010 to present date)

Foreign Office properties have been used as locations for the following films and documentaries. The Conference & Events Team of our Protocol Department worked with the production companies to facilitate access:

Year	Name of film	Production company	Location
2015	The Crown	LFP	Lancaster House
2013	Frankenstein	Fox UK	Lancaster House
2013	Downton Abbey Christmas Special	Carnival Productions	Lancaster House
2014	Our kind of Traitor	The Ink Factory	Lancaster House
2015	The Road to Nationhood (The independence of Malaysia)	Rack Focus Films	Lancaster House
2014	Barging Round Britain With John Sergeant	I TV	Lancaster House
2013	The Worricker Trilogy	Carnival Production Ltd	FCO
2013	The Theory of Everything	COSMOS FILMS LTD	Lancaster House
2015	Spectre	B24	FCO

The makers of the BBC comedy “Ambassadors” came to the FCO in 2011 and asked for information. So they could familiarise themselves with the work of the FCO, they were given some access to a range of diplomats of different grades in different types of jobs at, or who had served in, posts in a number of different parts of the world.

Title	Date	Comment
BBC Two: Ambassadors	23 October 2013 (first of three episodes)	The read through was conducted in the Locarno Rooms of the FCO. http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p01jcl3vx

The FCO is often asked to provide press lines for broadcasters which may be included in documentaries or news reports. We do not keep a log of all of these occasions so are unable to list them here. The documentaries listed below have involved significant input from our departments both in the UK and overseas:

Title	Date	Comment
BBC Panorama: Rescued from a Forced Marriage	26 January 2015	Forced Marriage Unit of the FCO together with our High Commission in Islamabad participated with Panorama on this documentary about rescuing British women from forced marriage. http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-30923981
Channel 4: Our Man In	1 March 2012 (first of three episodes)	Documentary series filmed in 2011 and broadcast in 2012 following the activities of the British Consulates in Spain. Consular Directorate of the FCO and our consulates in Ibiza, Costa Blanca and Tenerife participated in this series. http://www.channel4.com/programmes/our-man-in/episode-guide
BBC1: Holiday Hit Squad	March 2014	Consular staff from our Consulate in Alicante featured in two episodes of this series. Filming took place in August 2013 and the series aired from March 2014.
KEO Films for BBC3: Bangkok Airport	January / February 2015	Consular staff from our Embassy in Bangkok featured in episodes of this series. Filming took place in March 2014 and the series aired from January 2015.

From 10 to 13 June 2014 the Foreign Office hosted the Global Summit to End Sexual Violence in Conflict. As part of this various clips / films were uploaded to YouTube. These are listed below and are all still publicly available on YouTube:

1. Global Summit to End Sexual Violence in Conflict – Highlights
2. Global Relay Highlights
3. Don't Believe the Thumbnail, This Video is the Stuff of Nightmares
4. Timelapse: Global Summit to End Sexual Violence in Conflict
5. Global Summit: Day One Highlights
6. Global Summit: Day Two highlights
7. Global Relay: Highlights #1
8. Foreign Secretary speech at opening of Summit
9. UN Special Envoy speech at Summit
10. Tour of the Fringe opening ceremony
11. UN Special Envoy and Stella McCartney
12. Stella McCartney at the Fringe Market Place
13. People's Choice Award: #EndSVCHack
14. Youth Delegates at the Global Summit
15. Summit Youth Group: the action we want to see
16. Timelapse: Burj Al Arab

17. Foreign Secretary William Hague launches International Protocol
18. UN Special Envoy at the launch of the International Protocol
19. International Protocol launch: full video
20. Launch of the UK National Action Plan – part 1 & 2
21. In the Land of Blood and Honey – opening remarks
22. Foreign Secretary updates summit after Ministerial meeting on Nigeria
23. Interview with Laura Bates
24. Opening Plenary for Experts Day 2: welcome
25. Opening Plenary for Experts Day 2
26. Baroness Warsi opening experts day
27. UN special representative Bangura speaking at experts' discussion
28. Expert session 2: putting PSVI into context
29. Expert session 13: the particular vulnerabilities
30. DFID Fringe session with Justine Greening
31. We will speak out
32. Women's Initiative for Gender Justice
33. The challenges of documenting sexual violence against children in armed conflict
34. Care International – when soldiers come home
35. Geneva Call
36. Ending sexual violence in conflict – Australia
37. Malaysian contribution to Global Summit
38. Global Summit day 3 highlights
39. Global Relay: Highlights #2
40. Foreign Secretary addresses closing plenary
41. UN Special Envoy addresses closing plenary
42. John Kerry addresses closing plenary
43. Lt General David Morrison on role of soldiers
44. Global Summit statement of action
45. Global Summit commitments
46. Help us to end sexual violence #TimetoAct
47. My body is not a battlefield
48. Charming Baker talks about 'Faith Leaps'
49. #TimetoAct to end sexual violence in conflict
50. PSVI: First anniversary
51. PSViC – UK experts discuss deployments to Syrian border
52. PSViC – Speech by UN Special Envoy
53. Jineth Bedoya
54. International Protocol on the documentation and investigation of sexual violence in conflict
55. End sexual violence in conflict: global relay
56. International day for the elimination of violence against women
57. Anniversary of the Global Summit to End Sexual Violence in Conflict