

Requests under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act

“The individual number of RIPA requests made to the department where the subject was one of its own members of staff per month, for each of the last two years. To clarify, this concerns all RIPA requests made to the department to use RIPA powers on a subject that was a member of staff, be they permanent or freelance staff or employees of a company where work was being out-sourced to.

Please provide a break down as to which requests were granted and which were not and what part of RIPA the request was being made under e.g. whether the request was a section II request (requesting surveillance and the use of covert human intelligence) or section I request (partly concerning the acquisition of communications data) or referred to another section.

Where possible please provide the reason for RIPA requests.”

The Department for International Development (DFID) does not hold any information relevant to your request. DFID is not a relevant public authority for the purposes of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act therefore does not conduct any directed surveillance.