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Dear [REDACTED]

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Works of Art

Thank you for your request for information, which we received on 20 February 2015, about Works of Art. We are handling your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

1. How many works of art does your department own?

The department does not own any works of art. Pieces of art in our existing offices are not owned by the Department but are on loan from the National Collections.

2. How many are on public display and how often?

All our buildings are secured and the public has no access to them

3. What is the total value of the collection?

We are not in a position to answer this as the Department does not own any works of art, these are on loan from the National Collections.

4. What is the annual departmental spend on art? Provide figures for each of the last five years.

The Department does not have a budget to spend on art.

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I also attach Annex B giving contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.



If you have any queries about this letter please contact the address below.

Yours sincerely,


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Annex A

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