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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 REQUEST REF: 1170-15

Thank you for your email of 04/12/15 asking for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You asked:

“Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for ICT/Digital/Business Change Programmes & Strategy?”

We wrote to you on 14/12/15 stating:

“The question in your recent Freedom of Information Act request asking: “Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for ICT/Digital/Business Change Programmes & Strategy” is somewhat ambiguous and therefore we need to seek clarification on the following points.

1. *Could you clarify what you mean by “Digital”?*
2. *Could you clarify what you mean by “Business Change Programmes & Strategy”?*

In response on 14/12/15 you replied:

“The terminology basically refers to who is responsible for the decisions made for FCO's projects and programmes, in terms of any projects that are IT or digital related. To give you an idea, generally this responsibility lies with the Chief Information Officer, Chief Technology Officer, Chief Operations Officer, and/or Chief Digital Officer”

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.

1. The FCO's Chief information Officer Colin Martin-Reynolds is the senior officer responsible for IT infrastructure.

2. The FCO's Director of Communication Hugh Elliott is the senior officer responsible for Digital Communications.
3. Business Change Programmes and Strategy. Ministers set the direction for the FCO and this is acted upon by the Permanent Under Secretary (PUS) & the FCO Board. The FCO Board will then appoint a Senior Reporting Officer (SRO) as required.

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Yours sincerely,

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