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You requested the following information:-

- (a) On how many occasions since 2010 your department has paid bills to private businesses more than 60 days after the date the invoice was received?**
- (b) On how many occasions since 2010 your department has paid bills to small businesses more than 60 days after the date the invoice was received?**
- (c) What the total value of all bills paid to private businesses by your department more than 60 days after the date the invoice was received?**

We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

There have been no occasions since 2010 that the Wales Office has paid valid invoices more than 60 days after receipt. The Department's policy is to pay suppliers in accordance with the Prime Ministerial commitment of May 2010 that Government Departments should pay suppliers within 5 days of receipt of a valid invoice at the correct billing address.