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Dear

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: FRAMEWORK / CONTRACT EXTENSION / RENEWAL – UK LONDON: RESEARCH AND ANALYTICAL SERVICES

Thank you for your request for information, which we received on Thursday 26 February 2015 in follow up to a previous FOI request (RFI 6363), response dated 7 March 2014, about:

• RMP / 5134 – Research and Analytical Services Framework

You asked whether the framework will be extended or renewed after the current end date of 21st August 2015. As you know, we have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

I can confirm that core Defra will not be renewing or extending this framework after its current end date of 21st August 2015.

I also attach Annex A 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,

Information Rights Team
InformationRequests@defra.gsi.gov.uk



Annex A

Complaints

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request you may make a complaint or appeal against our decision under section 17(7) of the FOIA within 40 working days of the date of this letter. Please write to Head of Information Standards, Area 4D, Nobel House, 17 Smith Square, London, SW1P 3JR (email: requestforinfo@defra.gsi.gov.uk) and he will arrange for an internal review of your case. Details of Defra's complaints procedure are on our website.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, section 50 of the FOIA gives you the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Please note that generally the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have first exhausted Defra's own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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