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**Freedom of Information request:**

*“1) The total number of British citizens employed in your department as of October 5th 2016;*

*“2) The total number of non-British citizens employed in your department as of October 5th 2016, broken down by nationality.*

*“Please include all workers, whether in full-time, part-time or short-term contracted work, including any consultants on contracts through the department.”*

The Freedom of Information Act (2000) gives individuals and organisations the right of access to all types of recorded information held, at the time the request is received, by public authorities such as the Attorney General's Office (AGO).

I have now been able to consider your request, and I can confirm under section 1 (1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act (2000) that the Attorney General’s Office can provide the information requested within the scope of your request.

The AGO conforms to the Civil Service Commission’s rules on nationality requirements on all recruitment campaigns. As at 5 October 2016 there were 40 staff in AGO (excluding the two Ministers) – of these 15 have self-declared themselves as British or Mixed British (includes those down as English), and 25 have nothing against their nationality. On that basis there is no-one showing themselves as non-British.