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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 REQUEST REF: 0110-17

Thank you for your email of 30 January 2017 asking for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You asked:

In relation to the recent proposal put forward by the Department of Environment and Coastal Resources, Turks and Caicos Islands, for changes to be made to the National Parks Order (NOTICE OF CHANGES TO THE NATIONAL PARKS ORDER), I would be grateful if you could provide details of:

- (a) the reasons why the proposed changes are/have been considered by the Department;
- (b) land parcels which have been sold, leased, transferred or otherwise acquired in the vicinity/within the National Parks which are being considered to undertake the proposed changes;
- (c) the sale/acquisition of any land which was previously designated as being a National Park or Protected area;
- (d) any legislation/ordinance which protects the Turks and Caicos Islands from development within or in the vicinity of it's National Parks/Protected Areas;

It would be greatly appreciated if electronic copies of this information can be provided.

I can confirm that the Foreign and Commonwealth Office does hold some information relevant to your request. Under section 21 of the Act, we are not required to provide information in response to a request if it is already reasonably accessible to you. Some of the information relevant to section (d) of your request can be found at:

www.tciyellowpages.com/tci-laws-alphabetical-index-tci-online-turks-caicos-islands

The other information can be obtained from the Turks and Caicos Islands Ministry of Tourism, Environment, Culture and Heritage in its paper entitled 'Proposed Amendments to the National Parks Ordinance' dated December 2015.

Yours sincerely,

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