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Dear [Redacted],

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Finance Staff

Thank you for your request for information of 4 September 2019 about finance staff. We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

The information you requested and our response are detailed below.

For Finance only:

- *Total number of staff*

Total number of staff in Defra's Finance directorate as at 31st August 2019: 460

- *Total number of SCS1 finance staff*

Total number of SCS1 Finance staff as at 31st August 2019: 10

- *Department structure*

The information is not held by Defra. Defra's Finance directorate is currently going through a restructure. The new structure will go live soon and this will have all permanent staff mapped and matched to it, but will contain a number of vacancies we are currently working through. We will have 3 pillars – (1) Strategic Finance (2) Finance Operations and (3) Finance Business Partners

- *Total number of agency workers / contractors (please include those on fixed term contract but not internal secondment)*

Total number of agency/contractors in Defra's Finance directorate as at 31st August 2019: 53. This number is included in the 460 staff above.

- *Frameworks used to procure interim staff in this area*

Frameworks used to procure interim staff in this area: NMNC RM971, ESPO 3S-18 and PSR RM3749.



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If you have any queries about this letter please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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Annex A

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