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Dear Redacted,

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Internal Flights

Thank you for your request for information of 27 August 2021 about internal flights taken by the Secretary of State or Junior Ministers. We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Your information request and our response are set out below.

The number of internal flights, including any return flights, taken by the Secretary of State or Junior Ministers between December 2019 and July 2021 including:

- 1. The Minister(s) who took the flight and the number of people who accompanied them.
- 2. The destination of the flight and the airport where the flight took off from.
- 3. A short summary of the reason for the flight.
- 4. The cost of the flight for each passenger.
- 5. The class of the flight, i.e. standard, business, first, private or charter.

Following a search of our electronic records, we have established that no internal flights were taken by the Secretary of State or Junior Ministers between December 2019 and July 2021. Therefore, the information requested is not held.

We attach an annex giving contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

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

Yours sincerely

Redacted Information Rights Team InformationRequests@defra.gov.uk



Annex

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 or under regulation 11 of the EIRs, as applicable, within 40 working days of the date of this letter. Please write to Andrew Mobsby, Head of Information Rights via email at InformationRequests@defra.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 and regulation 18 of the EIRs gives you the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision. Please note that generally the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have first exhausted Defra's own complaints procedure.

The ICO can be contacted using the following link:

https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/official-information-concerns-report/official-informationconcern/