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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 11 April 2025 which contained your request for information. The Government Legal Department ("GLD") have processed your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the Act").

## Request

*Please detail the number of email attacks blocked by your organisation, broken down by spam, phishing, malware and edge block, each year for the past three years from May to April.*

*E.g.*

*May 2024 - April 2023*

- *250,000 total email attacks blocked*
- *100,000 spam emails blocked*
- *75,000 phishing emails blocked*
- *50,000 malware emails blocked*
- *25,000 edge block emails blocked*

## Response

Pursuant to Section 1(1)(a) of the Act, GLD informs you that partially holds the information you have requested.

### (a) May 2022 – April 2023

GLD does not hold records for email filtering or blocking activity from 2022.

### (b) May 2023 – April 2024

GLD does not hold records for email filtering or blocking activity from 2023.

### (c) May 2024 – April 2025

- Total email attacks blocked: 5,921,704
- Spam emails: 5,904,287
- Phishing emails: 15,852
- Malware emails: 1,565
- Edge block emails: Not recorded

## **Your Rights**

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original correspondence. Please use the contact details provided at the top of this letter in order to request an internal review relating to your original request.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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