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Dear Mr Pearse,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – REQUEST 0929

We have considered your request and provide answers to your questions in turn below.

'How much income was received by the BL in consideration of the use of BL collection images on third party websites.'

The revenue generated by charging for rights to reproduce images of items in the British Library collections for the previous five financial years (April to March) was as follows:

£	2004/5	2005/6	2006/7	2007/8	2008/9
Total revenue	296,889	273,528	274,496	278,287	352,748

The number of requests for rights to reproduce images for which a charge was made was as follows:

	2004/5	2005/6	2006/7	2007/8	2008/9
Requests	1952	2090	2270	2770	1728

In certain cases, we waive the charge for rights for reproduction of images. Our records do not enable us to produce precise figures for this period but the approximate number of these is in the region of 800 per year.



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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you may appeal directly to the Information Commissioner at the address given below. You should do this within two months of our final decision. There is no charge for making an appeal.

Further information on the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is available from the Information Commissioner's Office:

Wycliffe House
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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nigel Spencer".

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