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Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000: Letter from the Chief Secretary

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 17 May 2010.

You referred to a letter left by the last Chief Secretary of the Treasury, Liam Byrne, to the current Chief Secretary and asked for a copy or the full text of that letter.

The FoI Act gives a right of access to information rather than documents. We are therefore providing the full text of the letter below rather than the letter itself:

"6 April 2010

Dear Chief Secretary

I'm afraid there is no money.

Kind regards - and good luck!

Liam"

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. It will be helpful to us if you remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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It would assist our review if you set out which aspects of the reply concern you and why you are dissatisfied.

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