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John Booth

20<sup>th</sup> September 2010

Dear Mr Booth,

## Freedom of Information Act 2000 - RFI20101134

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act ('the Act') of 21st August, seeking:

"a detailed list of all expenditure and/or invoices paid for all legal work including advice and any other related costs on individual F.O.I. requests.

Please also include the reference/title of each F.O.I. Requests they relate to from 2001 to 2010"

Please find below the information you requested. It should be noted that the Freedom of Information Act only came into force at the beginning of 2005 and the enclosed information covers all external expenditure incurred since that date. In terms of internal legal advice, we do not hold the information you have requested as our in-house lawyers do not record their time in a manner that would allow us to identify how much time was spent on individual requests for information. We are therefore unable to calculate any internal costs. Also, you will see that advice is sometimes given for combined appeals rather than on an individual basis. We have provided the relevant appeal or ICO reference numbers as this is how the expenditure is recorded, rather than by the reference of the original request.

	Appeal No./ICO Ref. No. (Where Applicable)	Barristers Fees	Other	Total
1.	EA/2008/0019/0034/0051/ 0058	£51,505.00	£1,070.05	£52,575.05
2.	EA/2007/0039/49/50	£2,000.00	-	£2,000.00



3.	EA/2008/0043	£1,000.00	-	£1,000.00
4.	General advice in relation to appeals from the Information Commissioner	£12,700.00	-	£12,700.00
5.	RFI2008009 I	£3,600.00	-	£3,600.00
6.	FS50070467 FS50137791	£900.00	£5,869.00 (external solicitors)	£6,769.00
7.	Fol Requests re Litigation	£1,100.00	-	£1,100.00
8.	EA/2010/0042	£1,850.00	-	£1,850.00
9.	EA/2008/0034	£2,100.00	-	£2,100.00
10.	FS50102474	£3,425.00	-	£3,425.00
11.	EA/2009/0015	£2,175.00	-	£2,175.00
12.	CO/7618/2006	£264,711.50	£6,155.62	£270,867.12
13.	EA/2008/0051	£1,750.00	-	£1,750.00
14.	EA/2008/0019	£5,675.00	-	£5,675.00
15.	EA/2006/0011 EA/2006/0013 FS50070769	£19,545.00	£214.88	£19,759.88
16.	Advice in relation to the publication of the register of interests for senior staff	£5,550		£5,550
	TOTALS	£379,586.50	£13,309.55	£392,896.05

## **Appeal Rights**

If you are not satisfied that we have complied with the Act in responding to your request, you have the right to an internal review by a BBC senior manager or legal adviser. Please contact us at the address above, explaining what you would like us to review and including your reference

number. If you are not satisfied with the internal review, you can appeal to the Information Commissioner. The contact details are: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF, telephone 01625 545 700 or see <a href="http://www.ico.gov.uk/">http://www.ico.gov.uk/</a>

Yours sincerely,

Rachael Ward Adviser Information Policy & Compliance