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21 February 2020

Dear Jeremy Edgar,

### **Freedom of Information request – RFI20200243**

Thank you for your request to the BBC of 12 February 2020 seeking the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act'):

*"I am interested to know about the production and launch of BritBox, both in the US and here, in the UK.*

*Specifically I am interested to know how much of the production and launch costs came from money provided by the UK TV Licence payers."*

We have interpreted your request to refer to BritBox UK. BritBox is a joint commercial venture between ITV and the BBC. ITV will own 90% of the new BritBox service and the BBC's initial 10% stake could rise to 25% in the future. The BBC's 10% stake is held by BBC Commercial Holdings.

As set out in section 6(1)(b)(ii) of the Act, our subsidiaries (including BBC Studioworks Limited, UKTV, BBC Global News Ltd and BBC Studios Ltd), as well as the charities BBC Media Action and BBC Children in Need, are not subject to the Act. Therefore information regarding their activities is also not subject to the Act.

You may find the following link helpful:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/mediacentre/latestnews/2019/britbox-agreement>

### **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. A request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of receiving the BBC's response to your original request.

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, Tel: 0303 123 1113 or see <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

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