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Dear Dr Emma L Briant

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 - REQUEST REF: FOI2020/17122

Thank you for your email of 21st August asking for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You asked:

Could I ask for the following information under the Freedom of Information Act... the emails which were shared here:

https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/correspondence\_on\_ukraine#outgoing-977040 indicate an introduction or recommendation of IOTA Global based on their work in Ukraine. Could I see any follow-up emails/related documents or details of meetings or calls that followed this recommendation related to potential work for FCO/MOD, projects, advice or consultancy with IOTA Global or SCL or BDI - whether related to Ukraine or other countries.

Specifically could you include details of any contracts that may have followed including cost, dates and country/purpose.

Please search 2015 - end of 2016.

I am writing to advise you that following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the Department does not hold information related to your request.

Please note that, as your request was made to the former FCO, i.e. prior to the creation of FCDO, our reply only takes into account any relevant information held by the FCO at the time your request was received

If you wish to make a complaint or if you would like a review of our response, please write to the Information Rights Unit, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office, Room WH 2.177, King Charles Street, London, SW1A 2AH. E-mail: <a href="mailto:information.rights@fcdo.gov.uk">information.rights@fcdo.gov.uk</a>. You have 40 working days to do so from the date this letter. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the above, you may then apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a review of our response. Generally, the Information Commissioner will only carry out a review once you have exhausted the internal FCO complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF, or online at: <a href="https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/">https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/</a>

You can find responses to other FOI requests on the FCO's <u>website</u>.

Yours sincerely,

**Information Rights Unit**