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Ref: FOI2018/12346

Dear Mr Ralph

Freedom of Information Act 2000: Disguised remuneration

Thank you for your enquiry of 9 July 2018, which we have considered under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the FOI Act).

You asked for the following information:

The policy paper published on 22 November 2017 titled "Disguised Remuneration: further update" gives an estimated exchequer impact of the measures. Please provide a breakdown of this impact by a) amounts to be paid by individuals b) amounts to be paid by employers.

I am unable to confirm whether HM Treasury holds information within the scope of your request.

The Treasury does not collate information in a way that could be used to easily identify possible information within the scope of your request.

We estimate that to search and locate any information held would exceed the appropriate limit. The appropriate limit for central Government is set at £600. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending three and a half working days in determining whether the department holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting that information.

Under section 12 of the FOI Act departments are not obliged to comply with requests in these circumstances. It is difficult for us to suggest how you could narrow your request. However, if you wish to submit a revised request we would be happy to consider it.

HM Revenue and Customs may hold information relevant to your request. If you have not done so already, you may wish to contact them directly. Contact details for HM Revenue and Customs can be found on their website:

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/hm-revenue-customs

Yours sincerely

Information Rights Unit

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

If you are not happy with this reply, you can request a review by writing to HM Treasury, Information Rights Unit, 1 Horse Guards Road, London SW1A 2HQ or by emailing us at the address below. Any review request must be made within 2 months of the date of this letter.

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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.

If you are not content with the outcome of the review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Commissioner will not make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by HM Treasury which is outlined above.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF (or via their website at: https://ico.org.uk).