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Dear Dr Stevenson,

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – RFI20141762

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act ('the Act') of 24 October 2014 with regards to your previous request, reference RFI20141587.

You asked:

In your very helpful response to my previous FOIR you referenced the existence of "the Syndicate" in relation to the BBC and existence of "terms of reference" relating to "Dr Rendall". In the light of this information please could you provide me with the following additional information:

- 1. Any and all documentation held by the BBC relating to the establishment of, and recruitment to, "the Syndicate".*
- 2. A list of all members of "the Syndicate" in the period beginning 1st January 1929 through to 31st December 1934.*
- 3. Any documentation held by the BBC which identifies members of "the Syndicate" in the period as described above (1929-1934).*
- 4. Any documentation held by the BBC which describes any and all "Terms of reference" of/relating to any and all members of the above referenced "Syndicate" in the above said timeframe*

Your request seems to suggest that the BBC might have been involved in constituting and recruiting to the Syndicate, but the Syndicate is not a BBC entity. The "Syndicate" were the owners of the site upon which Broadcasting House was eventually built. The BBC entered into an agreement with the owners of the site, for the owners to construct Broadcasting House and lease it to the BBC, with an option for the BBC to purchase it later. There is no list containing the names of the Syndicate, but it is clear from records, that the lead figure in the Syndicate was Robert Solomon, and it was his name alone that appeared on the Agreement with the BBC.

I hope this information has been helpful.

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 SK9 5AF. Telephone 01625 545 700 or see <http://www.ico.gov.uk/>

Yours sincerely,

The Information Policy and Compliance Team

