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Dear Mr Healey-Ryder

Freedom of Information Act 2000: European Union

Thank you for your Freedom of Information enquiry of 2 May 2017.

You asked for the following information:

"In leaving the European Union, how much additional expenditure will be incurred by central, local and devolved governments each year for the next five years? This includes additional civil service costs, administration costs, government agencies, the costs of consultancy fees, etc"

I can confirm that HM Treasury does not hold information within the scope of your request.

To be helpful I can advise that the Treasury is monitoring costs associated with exit and has oversight of policies with significant spending implications. However, given departmental autonomy and local authority and devolved administration flexibility over certain spending decisions, the Treasury does not collate information in this overarching manner.

At this early stage in the Article 50 process, before the negotiations have begun, it is not possible to estimate the additional expenditure that will be incurred by departments for the next five years.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact us. Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

Information Rights Unit

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