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Dear Requester

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION:2019-622556

We acknowledge your request for the following information: Can you please tell me how much the all the bars and restaurants in the Scottish Parliament are subsidised by, and how much subsidise the MSPs receive and the total cost of running the bars and restaurants.

Your request was received on 7 February 2019 and has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA).

The information you requested is exempt information under Section 25 of FOISA and will not be disclosed. The reason for this is set out in the refusal notice enclosed. As you will see, the information is already in the public domain and is readily available.

We would welcome feedback or comment on how we handled your request. Please feel free to contact the Head of Information Governance at The Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh, EH99 1SP or by e-mail at foi.officer@parliament.scot

Please find below Annex A, which explains how we handle FOI requests and reviews.

Yours sincerely,

Robin Davidson Information Compliance Officer

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http://www.parliament.scot/visitandlearn/25072.aspx

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The Scottish Parliament

Edinburgh EH99 1SP

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If on the outcome of any review you are still dissatisfied or if we are unable to resolve any other complaint then you can contact the Scottish Information Commissioner:

Post: The Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner

Kinburn Castle Doubledykes Road

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Fife

KY16 9DS

Email: www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal

Telephone: 01334 464610 Fax: 01334 464611 Website: www.itspublicknowledge.info

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