



Information Rights

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Dear Edward Williams,

### **Freedom of Information request – RFI20210854**

Thank you for your request to the BBC of 16 May 2021 seeking the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act'):

*“Provide a chronological schedule of all contributions you made to charity in the last 5 years. This includes not just money, but anything of worth.”*

The BBC cannot contribute directly to charities. As the BBC is a public corporation, financed by the licence fee, its income must be used for broadcasting or closely associated purposes.

However, the BBC has two corporate charities. Children in Need is our UK-based charity which provides grants to thousands of projects which focus on children and young people who are disadvantaged throughout the UK. BBC Media Action is our international development charity. It makes TV, radio and multimedia content, and mentors journalists and broadcasters to help people in some of the poorest parts of the world. Whilst having a close working relationship with the BBC neither of these charities is funded from the licence fee.

As set out in section 6(1)(b)(ii) of the Act, our subsidiaries (including BBC Studioworks Limited, UKTV, BBC Global News Ltd and BBC Studios Ltd), as well as the charities BBC Media Action and BBC Children in Need, are not subject to the Act. We are not obliged to provide information about their activities under this legislation.

For more information on BBC Media Action you can follow this link:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/mediaaction/about>

For more information on BBC Children in Need: <https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/>

### **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. A request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of receiving the BBC's response to your original request.

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, Cheshire, SK9 5AF, Tel: 0303 123 1113 or see <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

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