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Mr Matthew Kennard

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Dear Mr Kennard,

Your Freedom Of Information Request: FOI2020/18942

Thank you for your request for information, which we received on 17th September. In your request you asked for;

According to the DFID website, the FCO has 5 projects active in Bolivia. See here: https://devtracker.dfid.gov.uk/countries...

Please disclose the following information for the years 2015-2019:

- 1) Are these the only projects run by the FCO in Bolivia?
- 2) Please provide a list of years these (and other projects) have been run in Bolivia.
- 3) Please provide an annual budget for each of these projects.
- 4) Provide FCO evaluations of these projects.
- 5) Please provide the name of any local organisation which received funding through these projects.
- 6) Please provide an outline of aims of these projects.

I can confirm that the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office does hold information falling within the terms of your request.

The FOI Act obliges us to respond to requests promptly, and in any case no later than 20 working days after receiving your request. However, when a qualified exemption applies to the information and the public interest test is engaged, the Act allows the time for response to be longer than 20 working days, and a full response must be provided within such time as is reasonable in all circumstances of the case. We do, of course, aim to make all decisions within 20 working days, including in cases where we need to consider where the public interest lies in respect of a request for exempt information. In this case, however, we have not yet reached a decision on where the balance of the public interest lies.

balance of the public interest lies Therefore, we plan to let you have a response by 10 December 2020. If it appears that it will take longer than this to reach a conclusion, we will keep you informed.

The specific exemptions which apply in relation to your request are:

Section 27 – international relations Section 43 - commercial interest

Please write to the Information Rights Unit, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office, Room WH2.177, King Charles Street, London, SW1A 2AH. E-mail: information.rights@fcdo.gov.uk if you have any queries about this letter.

Yours sincerely,

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