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Dear Ms Mawhood

Freedom of Information Act 2000: European Union

Thank you for your Freedom of Information enquiry of 21 September 2017.

You asked for the following information:

"My FOI request is for any information about what the Treasury is doing to ensure that mortgage repayments by borrowers with SPML- and Preferred-originated mortgages, made to the SPVs Eurosail— collection account(s) at Barclays Bank plc, are not used for money-laundering and funding terrorism after Britain leaves the EU. (I have similar concerns about the SPPL-originated second-charge loans, bought by SPML and then securitised to SPVs Eurosail—.)"

I can confirm that HM Treasury does not hold information within the scope of your request with regards to the specific financial institutions you mention.

However, the Government intends for the EU (Withdrawal Bill) to freeze domestic Anti-Money Laundering legislation as at the point of exit, ensuring the continuity of the AML regime.

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

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

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