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MIKE BEDIGAN

By email: request-549725-c3f25df2@whatdotheyknow.com

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Dear MIKE BEDIGAN

I refer to your request where you asked:

'I would like to know how many FOI requests have been made to you since 24 June 2016, with the word 'Brexit' in the subject. If it does not exceed the cost of compliance limits, then please also provide the full subject lines of the FOI requests.

If it does exceed the cost of compliance, please advise me on how to refine my request.

Please also provide a written response acknowledging receipt of this request.'

I am writing to advise you that following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you requested is held by the Cabinet Office.

I must inform you that, by virtue of section 14(1) of the Freedom of Information Act, a public authority is not obliged to comply with a request for information if the request is vexatious. The Information Commissioner has stated that a request may be vexatious if it clearly lacks a serious purpose or value, or if it would impose a significant burden on the department. I consider that the release of the information you have requested would be burdensome for the Cabinet Office to identify and compile and would also be of little purpose and value to the public. I attach a copy of the Commissioner's guidance on this issue for your information. I shall take no further action on this request.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request or wish to request an internal review, you should write to:

Eirian Walsh Atkins Cabinet Office 70 Whitehall London

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email: foi-team@cabinetoffice.gov.uk

You should note that the Cabinet Office will not normally accept an application for internal review if it is received more than two months after the date that the reply was issued.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by Cabinet Office. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

FOI Team
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