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Via: request-445805-4e42c41c@whatdotheyknow.com

Our ref: DEX000989

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Dear Vicky Cann,

I refer to your request, where you asked for minutes and the attendance lists of all the meetings listed below:

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1. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Oct-16
City of London
 2. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union
Oct-16 City of London
 3. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Oct-16
Barclays
 4. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Oct-16
City UK
 5. Rt Hon David Davis MP, Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Oct-16 CityUK
 6. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union
Oct-16 Hermes Investment management
 7. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union
Oct-16 HSBC Holdings PLC
 8. Rt Hon David Davis MP, Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Nov-16 Arbuthnot
Banking Group Plc
 9. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Nov-16
Goldman Sachs
 10. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Nov-16
Lloyds
 11. Rt Hon David Davis MP, Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Nov-16 Lloyds Bank
 12. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Nov-16
Marshall Wace
 13. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Nov-16
Morgan Stanley
 14. Rt Hon David Davis MP, Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Dec-16 Arbuthnot
Banking Group Plc
 15. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Dec-16
Bank of America Merrill Lynch
 16. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Dec-16
British Bankers Association
 17. Rt Hon David Davis MP, Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Dec-16 Financial
Services Roundtable: Santander, Lloyds of London, Aviva Life, HSBC, QBE Europe, Barclays,
TheCityUK, M&G Securities, Blackrock UK, Goldman Sachs, London Stock Exchange Group
 18. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Dec-16
HSBC
 19. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European

Union Dec 2017 Financial Services Negotiation Forum [Legatum]
 20. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Dec 2017 Bank of America Merrill Lynch
 21. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Dec 2017 HSBC
 22. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Nov 2017 Blackstone Group
 23. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Nov 2017 Ernst and Young
 24. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Nov 2017 Goldman Sachs International
 25. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Nov 2017 Marshall Wace Asset Management Ltd
 26. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Nov 2017 Odey Asset Management
 27. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Apr-17 Legatum Institute
 28. Rt Hon David Jones MP, Minister of State for Exiting the European Union Apr-17 Pricewaterhouse Coopers, Barclays and HSBC
 29. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Feb-17 Legatum Institute
 30. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Feb-17 Policy Exchange Business Forum
 31. Rt Hon David Jones MP, Minister of State for Exiting the European Union Feb-17 The City UK
 32. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Feb-17 The City UK
 33. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Mar-17 Asset Management Roundtable:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ministers-in-latest-dialogue-with-financial-services-firms> : Allianz Global Investors, Barings Europe, BlackRock Investment Management, HSBC, Independent Franchise Partners, Investec, Investment Association, M&G, Pictet Asset Management, Schroders, Vanguard
 34. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Mar-17 British Bankers' Association
 35. Robin Walker MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union Mar-17 Goldman Sachs
 36. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union May-17 Cazenove Capital
 37. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union May-17 E&Y
 38. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union May-17 JP Morgan
 39. Lord Bridges of Headley MBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union May-17 UBS Investment Bank

Following on from our response to your previous request, reference number DEX000814, I must inform you that, by virtue of section 14(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA), we are not obliged to comply with your amended request for information as we find the request would cause “a disproportionate or unjustifiable level of ... disruption”. Furthermore, we believe your request may be a “fishing expedition” for “information that is noteworthy or otherwise useful”. I attach a copy of the Commissioner’s guidance on this issue for your information:

<https://ico.org.uk/media/for-organisations/documents/1198/dealing-with-vexatious-requests.pdf>

Although we are not required to carry out a public interest test in relation to section 14(1), we have considered whether your request could have serious purpose and value and whether

using vital departmental resources to respond to such a request meets an objective wider public interest.

We find that searching and collating for all of the minutes and attendees of the 39 meetings referenced in your request will create a level of disruption and diversion of resources that cannot be justified. Any future requests should be significantly narrowed in scope to avoid this, as per previous advice given.

We welcome any comments you may have regarding the purpose behind your request and any wider value or public interest you believe it may hold. However, under section 17(6) of FoIA, a public authority is not obliged to issue a refusal notice if it has already issued one. Taking into account our response to DEX000814, this will be our second response to a similar request and in accordance to section 17(6), we will not issue any further responses to future requests of this nature and volume. In the meantime, I shall take no further action on this request.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the FOI team. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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 foi@dex.eu or:

Freedom of Information Team (internal review)
Department for Exiting the European Union
9 Downing Street
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You should note that DExEU 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 DExEU. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Team, DExEU.