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Dear Mike,

Thank you for your email of 21 April to the Cabinet Office. Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to you.

The questions regarding the 'Commons PAC investigation of HS2 Ltd Accounts' does not constitute a valid request for information as outlined in section 8(1)(c) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the Act"). The Act does not require public authorities to create new information or to provide opinion or explanation in order to respond to a request or query. The purpose of the Act is to consider the confirmation or provision of recorded information that already exists. Advice on how to make a valid request can be accessed on the Information Commissioner's website at: https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/official-information/.

As such, your request is being responded to by the Public Correspondence Team as a Treat Official.

We are writing to advise you that The Cabinet Office has no knowledge of the events you have highlighted and therefore are unable to comment on the issues you have raised.

Thank you, once again, for writing in.

Yours sincerely, Naomi

Correspondence Officer

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