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Dear Mr Moss-Eccardt

Thank you for your e-mail of 7 December, in which you asked how long the meeting between the Home Secretary and the newly-elected Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) on 3 December lasted and how much it cost, including travel costs for the attendees. Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000.

The Home Secretary and her ministerial team met with 39 of the 41 PCCs on 3rd December. The PCCs for Cambridgeshire and Surrey were unable to attend. The Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime in London and the Chair of the City of London's Common Council Police Committee also attended. The day began at 09.30 and finished at 19:00. Total spend for the event was £2371.43 + VAT. The event was held at the Home Office headquarters to keep costs low. The Home Office did not pay travel costs of PCCs who attended the day.

In keeping with the FOIA, we assume that all information can be released to the public unless it is exempt. In line with normal practice we are, therefore, releasing the information you requested via the Home Office website.

I hope this information meets your requirements. I would like to assure you we have provided you with all relevant information the Home Office holds.

If you are dissatisfied with this response you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to the address below, quoting reference CR25429. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

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Yours sincerely

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