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Dear Tornado Flyer

## Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your enquiry of 24 April 2023, which we have considered under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the FOI Act).

You asked for the following information:

*"Dear HM Treasury,*

*Please provide an approximate figure for (a) the annual cost to the UK of providing defence cover to the Republic of Ireland, and (b) the contribution made by the Republic to the UK towards that cost."*

Please note that under section 8(1)(b) of the FOI Act, requests must state the real name of the applicant. It appears that this part of the Act has not been complied with in relation to your request. Although we do not consider that this is a valid request under the FOI Act, to be helpful we are providing a response.

Following a search of our records, we can confirm that HM Treasury does not hold information within the scope of your request.

The information you have requested is more suited for the Ministry of Defence (MOD). You may wish to contact them. The MOD can be contacted at: [cio-foi@mod.gov.uk](mailto:cio-foi@mod.gov.uk)

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

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