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Bambos Sent via "Whatdotheyknow" website

Dear Bambos

Freedom of Information Act - Request for Information Our Reference: FOI 4998

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 29 November 2015. You asked:

could the department of the secretary of state for work and pensions explain why they use private debt collecting agents when they have their own legal department and can the dwp explain what firms it uses in the collection of debt also does the dwp sell debt to third parties and for how much in the £ as i did have this information from the dwp but it seems to have been misplaced i am sure it will eventually turn up many thanks

You can expect a reply by 29 December 2015 unless we need to come back to you to clarify your request or the balance of the public interest test needs to be considered.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact us quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely

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