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HARRY KENNACOTT

By email: harry@kennacottcourt.co.uk

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Dear HARRY KENNACOTT

I refer to your request where you asked:

"I refer to the above Fol reference - the first link in that letter does not work and therefore I cannot see that information.

Also, the Civil Service Workforce plan 2016-2020 states that a 'Name-blind' and 'school blind' recruitment is now applied by 16 out of 17 of the main departments. Can you please provide the names which Departments are applying 'name-blind' recruitment and which Department is not.

Also please explain why other Departments not included in the 17 are not required to have 'name-blind' recruitment if its has already been judged as necessary in the main departments."

I am writing to advise you that following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you requested is not held by the Cabinet Office.

Please find a revised link to the gov.uk page about the Diverse Leadership Taskforce <https://www.gov.uk/government/groups/the-diverse-leadership-taskforce>

The details of how individual Departments are applying 'name-blind' recruitment are not held centrally by the Cabinet Office. Departments are encouraged to adopt the use of anonymised recruitment and the Civil Service continues to be a role model in this area.

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:

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You should note that the Cabinet Office 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 Cabinet Office. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'A. Brown', is written over a faint, light-colored circular stamp or watermark.

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