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Dear Frank Church,

I refer to your request, where you asked:

I wish to see a full copy of the report titled: 'EU Exit Analysis - Cross Whitehall Briefing'.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-politics-42867668

The Department for Exiting the European Union (DExEU) confirms that it holds the information you requested.

The Government is undertaking a wide range of analysis in support of our EU exit negotiations and preparations. Information relevant to your request has been published by the Exiting the European Union Select Committee. The analysis in question is provisional and incomplete internal work. It is an information gathering exercise, analysing existing trade relationships. On 8 March the Committee made this information available at the following link:

http://www.parliament.uk/documents/commons-committees/Exiting-the-European-Union/17-19/Cross-Whitehall-briefing/EU-Exit-Analysis-Cross-Whitehall-Briefing.pdf

The Committee has withheld from publication some information which is exempt in accordance with section 34 of the Act. Section 34 exempts information from disclosure so far as it is required to avoid any infringement of the privileges of the House of Commons. This is an absolute exemption and the public interest test does not apply.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the FOI team. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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Freedom of Information Team (internal review)
Department for Exiting the European Union
9 Downing Street
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The Information Commissioner's Office Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Yours faithfully

Freedom of Information Team, DExEU.