



Information Rights

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Mr Scott

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Dear Mr Scott,

Freedom of Information Request - RFI20190044

Thank you for your request to the BBC of 8 January 2019 seeking the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act'):

- '1) How many individuals currently work in the Freedom of Information department?*
- 2) What is the current male/female ratio?*
- 3) How many men are classed as BAME?*
- 4) How many women are classed as BAME?'*

Information Rights forms part of the Workplace and Information Rights Team, which deals with the BBC's compliance to the Freedom of Information Act, and the Data Protection Act, as well as providing legal support to TVL and Workplace. The team is also responsible for the BBC's legal training and apprentice programme. As such, there is no number of staff within Workplace and Information Rights that work exclusively on Freedom of Information Act requests.

The BBC also uses a network of Divisional and Departmental reps throughout the business who are responsible for drafting responses and providing relevant information from their areas. These individuals are not part of the Workplace and Information Rights Team and in almost every case do not work exclusively on FOIA work.

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If you are not satisfied that we have complied with the Act in responding to your request, you have the right to an internal review by a BBC senior manager or legal adviser. Please contact us at the address above, explaining what you would like us to review and including your reference number. If you are not satisfied with the internal review, you can appeal to the Information Commissioner. The contact details are: Information Commissioner's Office,

Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF, Tel: 0303 123 1113 or see <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely

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