

18 May 2011

Mr G Rooks

By e-mail to:  
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Dear Mr Rooks

**Freedom of Information request ref FOI313117**

I am writing regarding your request received on 14 April 2011 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act).

Your request is for:

*Details of the following for G4S:*

*How many contracts has G4S been awarded by the UK Government, out of how many.*

*The total percentage that this equates to.*

*The number of contracts which are in the process of being submitted, closed, considered to date.*

*Other details of contracts awarded to who.*

The Act gives the right to request information held by the public authority to which the request is made. The Cabinet Office does not hold full, up to date information on the contracts that HM Government has with G4S and is not able to provide accurate data on behalf of other Government departments. We have interpreted your request as asking for full and accurate data, rather than piecemeal information.

To be helpful, we are providing outside the Act the following list of departments which G4S has advised us it holds contracts. You may wish to make separate requests for information to these departments:

- Department for Culture, Media and Sport
- Ministry of Defence
- Department for Education
- Foreign and Commonwealth Office
- Department of Health
- Home Office (inc UK Border Agency)
- Ministry of Justice
- HM Treasury



- Department for Work and Pensions
- Youth Justice Board

You may be aware of the transparency commitments that the Prime Minister has set out. These commitments aim to enable central government to be more transparent about how public funds are being spent to help deliver better value for money in public spending.

To help achieve greater transparency the following has been implemented:

- All new central government ICT contracts over £10,000 have been published online since July 2010;
- All new central government tender documents for contracts over £10,000 have been published on a single website since September 2010, with this information made available to the public free of charge, and;
- All new central government contracts over £10,000 have been published in full since January 2011.

This information can be found at the following link:

[www.contractsfinder.businesslink.gov.uk](http://www.contractsfinder.businesslink.gov.uk)

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:

Roger Smethurst  
Head of Knowledge and Information Management  
Cabinet Office  
Admiralty Arch  
London SW1A 2WH

email: [foiteam@cabinet-office.x.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:foiteam@cabinet-office.x.gsi.gov.uk)

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  
Cheshire SK9 5AF

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

Yours sincerely



**Ruth Carrod**  
**Knowledge and Information Management**