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Dear Mr Hanton

## **Internal review of Freedom of Information request 12/1451 - Correspondence relating to Nominet and ownership of .uk namespace**

Ref: IR/12/1451

Dear Mr Hanton,

I refer to your email of 22 November in which you requested an internal review of BIS's handling of your FOI request 'How did BIS transfer .uk to Nominet'.

I have looked again at your original request. I am satisfied that despite the email that you referred to from Martin Boyle dated 16 November 2008 (when he was no longer a government employee), there are no records available in BIS to indicate there was ever any transfer of responsibility of the .uk domain from the government to Nominet. As far as I can tell, there was nothing for any Minister in BIS's fore-runner Departments to approve in this regard, or records to show otherwise. As we stated in the original reply, it would appear responsibility for the .uk domain was never in the government's hands.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of this internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

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