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**Our Reference:** FOI 80481

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Dear Mr Pells,

### **Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your e-mail of 28 January 2013, in which you asked for the following information from the Ministry of Justice (MoJ):

**“Further to your response dated 18th January 2013, your ref:79974, I am disappointed but not entirely surprised at your unwillingness to provide the information requested in points 1 to 3. If the data I requested requires more than 3 1/2 days to collate then the LIT register is manifestly unfit for purpose.**

**I should like to refine my request therefore, to a more rudimentary level.**

**1. How many individual linguists have been contracted by Capita to fulfil assignments under the Language services Framework agreement for the period 1st February 2012 to 31st December 2012?**

**2. As at 31st December 2012, what was the total number of individuals on the LIT register?”**

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

For part one of your request, I have taken it to refer to the language services contract with the Ministry of Justice (MoJ), as the Framework Agreement applies across the justice sector and we would not have to record information on behalf of justice sector partners, for example. Part two of your request refers to the register which is used for the whole Framework Agreement and is answered on this basis.

I can confirm that the department holds information that you have asked for, and I am pleased to provide this to you.

1. 1670 individual linguists filled assignments for Capita under the MoJ contract between 1 February and 31 December 2012. This does not include interpreters sourced through agencies or freelance interpreters booked directly by the MoJ.

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2. 1272 individuals were on the interpreter register at 31 December 2012.

You have the right to appeal our decision if you think it is incorrect. Details can be found in the 'How to Appeal' section attached at the end of this letter.

#### Disclosure Log

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Yours sincerely

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## How to Appeal

### Internal Review

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to an internal review. The handling of your request will be looked at by someone who was not responsible for the original case, and they will make a decision as to whether we answered your request correctly.

If you would like to request a review, please write or send an email to the Data Access and Compliance Unit within two months of the date of this letter, at the following address:

Data Access and Compliance Unit (10.34),  
Information & Communications Directorate,  
Ministry of Justice,  
102 Petty France,  
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E-mail: [data.access@justice.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:data.access@justice.gsi.gov.uk)

### Information Commissioner's Office

If you remain dissatisfied after an internal review decision, you have the right to apply to the Information Commissioner's Office. The Commissioner is an independent regulator who has the power to direct us to respond to your request differently, if he considers that we have handled it incorrectly.

You can contact the Information Commissioner's Office at the following address:

Information Commissioner's Office,  
Wycliffe House,  
Water Lane,  
Wilmslow,  
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