



## BANK OF ENGLAND

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Dear Mr Tsigarides

Thank you for your email dated 2 June in which you ask the following under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('Fol Act'):

*A. What do the BoE records show that a 'Royal Charter Company' actually is.*

*B. What do the BoE records show regarding the jurisdiction of the BoE, in terms of Statute Law and Common Law. Is the BoE under the jurisdiction of both Common Law and Statute Law.*

*C. What do the BoE records show about the printing of the United Kingdom Pound Sterling Currency. Does the BoE print the UK Sterling Currency on behalf of the UN government, and does the UK government pay interest to the BoE, or any other banking institution.'*

The Bank of England (the 'Bank') was established as a corporate body by Royal Charter under the Bank of England Act 1694. Information about Royal Charters is available to view on the Privy Council's website at:

<https://privycouncil.independent.gov.uk/royal-charters/chartered-bodies/>  
<https://privycouncil.independent.gov.uk/royal-charters/>

The legislation which gives the Bank its powers (including the legislation and the Royal Charter referred to above) are available to view on the Bank's website at:  
[www.bankofengland.co.uk/about/Pages/legislation/default.aspx](http://www.bankofengland.co.uk/about/Pages/legislation/default.aspx)

The Bank has a range of information available to view on its website in relation to Banknotes. You may be particularly interested in the following links:

History of Banknotes:  
[www.bankofengland.co.uk/banknotes/Pages/about/history.aspx](http://www.bankofengland.co.uk/banknotes/Pages/about/history.aspx)

Production of Banknotes:  
[www.bankofengland.co.uk/banknotes/Pages/lifecycle/production.aspx](http://www.bankofengland.co.uk/banknotes/Pages/lifecycle/production.aspx)

Frequently Asked Questions – Banknotes:  
[www.bankofengland.co.uk/banknotes/Pages/about/faqs.aspx](http://www.bankofengland.co.uk/banknotes/Pages/about/faqs.aspx)

Yours sincerely

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