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Dear Mr Kellard

Thank you for your enquiry of 29 May and subsequent clarification where you have requested information on the number of used Certificates of Sponsorship (CoS) for Tier 2 Intra-Company Transfers (ICT) with a basic salary, excluding allowances, of less than the national minimum wage, by month from January 2011. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

We believe that the information you have requested is already reasonably accessible to you. It can be found on the House of Commons Daily Debates (Hansard) website at the following website links:

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/cmhansrd.htm>

Information on Tier 2 ICT CoS issued in January and February 2011 can be found on the website link below under: 30 Mar 2011: Column WA288 - Baroness Neville-Jones.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld201011/ldhansrd/text/110330w0001.htm>

Information on Tier 2 ICT CoS issued in March and April 2011 can be found on the website link below under: 7 Jun 2011: Column WA128 - Baroness Browning.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld201011/ldhansrd/text/110607w0002.htm>

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Yours sincerely

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