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Mr xxxxx xxxxxx

Monday 17 August 2009

Dear Mr Pearse,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 - REQUEST 0933

Thank you for your request for an Internal Review of our response to your FOI request 0929, which we received on Monday 17 August 2009. You requested an Internal Review of your request 'Online rights income for manuscript images' because:

"My question related specifically to **manuscripts**, and income from reproduction of **these** items. The answer I received was in respect of **all items in the collection** which of course includes printed books, maps, newspapers and many other items. While the response was interesting, and thought-provoking, it doesn't really answer my question. It looks from the response as if the question was misunderstood?"

Unfortunately we cannot undertake the Internal Review until we have a clear understanding of precisely what you mean by **manuscripts**. Please could you define what you mean by **manuscripts** as clearly and precisely as possible? This will enable us to conduct the Internal Review as effectively as possible.

Once we have received your clarification we will consider your request and you will receive information to which you are entitled within the statutory timescale of 20 working days.

Please note that we will close your request if we do not receive your clarification within 20 days of the intimation of this letter.

The Act contains a number of exemptions that permit us to restrict the disclosure of information. If any exemption does apply to your request, it is possible that some or all of the information will not be released. If this is the case, you will be informed, and told about your right of appeal. In any case we will always try to assist you as much as possible with your request.

If you have any queries or concerns, please contact me, using the request reference number.

Further information on the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is available from the Information Commissioner's Office:

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Yours sincerely

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