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Dear Mr Spaven

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request –170907009

Thank you for your request dated 7 September 2017 in which you asked for the following information from the Ministry of Justice (MoJ):

Please can you tell me how much in Legal Aid payments the following people have received in relation to the investigation and charges levelled following the Hillsborough football disaster: David Duckenfield , Sir Norman Bettison, Graham Mackrell, Peter Metcalf, Donald Denton and Alan Foster

Your request has been handled under the FOIA.

The MoJ does not hold any information in the scope of your request. The Legal Aid Agency has conducted a search of its databases using the information you have provided to determine whether any representation orders have been issued to the individuals named in your request, further to the announcement by the Crown Prosecution Service that charges will be brought. No results were returned as a result of these checks.

The FOIA does not oblige a public authority to create information to answer a request if the requested information is not held. The duty is to only provide the recorded information held.

Appeal Rights

If you are not satisfied with this response you have the right to request an internal review by responding in writing to one of the addresses below within two months of the date of this response.

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You do have the right to ask the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) to investigate any aspect of your complaint. However, please note that the ICO is likely to expect internal complaints procedures to have been exhausted before beginning their investigation.

Yours sincerely

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