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Dear Mr Farnet

## Freedom of Information Act 2000 - RFI20101044

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act ('the Act') of 30<sup>th</sup> July 2010, seeking:

an excel (NOT as a pdf) list of all FOI requests you have had since it became law except for information the BBC holds for the purposes of journalism, art or literature. For each FOI request, please list:

date of request
date of reply
reference number/ID
subject/title of the request [each request on the list should include the subject/title of the request
please]

status [whether information was fully released, partially released or withheld]

Please find attached the information you requested. Prior to 2008, information about FOI requests was recorded differently and we do not hold the information you have requested about the reply date for 2005 to 2007.

We have provided a summary of the request rather than the subject / title as you have asked, because this is how we hold the information.

Note that some of the 2010 requests which are still open may be excluded from the Act, because they are for information that the BBC holds for purposes of journalism, art or literature, (in other words the information is outside the scope of the Act). Although you have asked for such requests not to be included, because we don't record whether the information is excluded from the Act until we close the request, out-of-scope requests may be included in the list if they are still open.



Please be aware also that, for all years, some requests may be included on the list in which some of the questions are for excluded information, but other questions are about information which is covered by the Act.

It may be helpful to explain the categories of outcome that we use.

- All information disclosed
- All information withheld the Act allows for information to be withheld where one of the exemptions under Part II applies to that information
- Information partially disclosed this applies where some, but not all, of the information has been withheld under an exemption. Even if only a single word is withheld, we would consider the RFI outcome to be 'Information partially disclosed'
- Closed: no further information provided for example, when the requester does not provide sufficient information to make the RFI valid as a section 8 request, or when the requester withdraws their RFI.
- Information available elsewhere this applies for example, when the information is available in the annual report or on the BBC website.
- Information not held

## **Appeal Rights**

If you are not satisfied that we have complied with the Act in responding to your request, you have the right to an internal review by a BBC senior manager or legal adviser. Please contact us at the address above, explaining what you would like us to review and including your reference number. If you are not satisfied with the internal review, you can appeal to the Information Commissioner. The contact details are: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF, telephone 01625 545 700 or see <a href="http://www.ico.gov.uk/">http://www.ico.gov.uk/</a>

Yours sincerely,

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