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Dear Mr Christodoulou

## Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Thank you for your request, which was received on 29 September, for the following information:

"Please confirm how many requests for the payment of tax have you posted to anyone other than a person"

Unfortunately, we are unable to address your request without first asking for more information. You refer to us making postal requests for payment of tax. We are responsible for a wide range of taxes and duties, which means we write to individuals, businesses and other entities. For example, we may have to issue postal reminders for Self Assessment returns and Corporation Tax returns. Both can be considered requests for payment of tax, with the latter being a request to "anyone other than a person". Our debt management colleagues will also issue letters requesting payment of tax. Again, those letters will be sent to individuals as well as other entities. These are just two examples, but there are several situations that fall within the wide scope of your request.

In order for us to properly consider your request, we need details about the type of correspondence you are interested in – the specific tax in question; a particular scenario which leads to a postal letter. We can then determine if relevant data is held.

If still appropriate, please submit your clarified request (quoting the FOI reference number above) by emailing <a href="mailto:foi.request@hmrc.gov.uk">foi.request@hmrc.gov.uk</a>, or by writing to the address at the top right-hand side of this letter.

If, after clarifying your request, you are not content with our freedom of information response, you retain the right to <u>complain to the Information Commissioner</u>, once you have exhausted our internal review process.

Yours sincerely,

**HM Revenue and Customs** 

