



Information Rights

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Dear Mr March,

Freedom of Information request – RFI20220983

Thank you for your request to the BBC of 29th August 2022 seeking the following information under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000:

"Please provide an approximate count of the full-time equivalent (FTE) BBC staff involved in the commercial sale of photographs and/or still images, for example in operating this website bbcphotosales.co.uk

For clarity:

This relates only to public-service BBC staff whose salaries are funded by the licence fee, and not to BBC Studios.

To be counted, staff do not have to be fully devoted to these commercial activities but the proportion they spend (FTE) should be counted. For example, someone spending 50% of their time on work to support sales should count 0.5 towards the total.

This should include all activities related to the commercial sale of photos including preparation, digitization, uploading, description, organisation, making 'collections', administration of the sales system, website development and support, contract management, transaction and payment handling, financial accounting, marketing and publicity etc. A breakdown is not required, only an approximate total."

The remit for the provision of the commercial sale of photographs and or still images sits in the Television and Images team which is part of Archives, Technology and Services.

A search against our HR database indicates that there are 4 Equivalent Full Time (EFT) employees with that responsibility.

As set out in section 6(1)(b)(ii) of the Act, our subsidiaries (including BBC Studioworks Limited, UKTV, BBC Global News Ltd and BBC Studios Ltd), as well as the charities BBC Media Action

and BBC Children in Need, are not subject to the Act. As such, information relating to these entities is not considered in the above response.

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. A request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of receiving the BBC's response to your original request.

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, Tel: 0303 123 1113 or see <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

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