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Via Email

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Dear Mr Godfrey,

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST**

Thank you for your email of 19 September 2011 in which you asked the Government Equalities Office for details of meetings on the topic of same-sex marriage since 7 July 2011.

With respect to your request I can confirm that in the last three months the Government Equalities Office has held meetings with officials from other government departments (principally Ministry of Justice, Department for Work and Pensions and UK Border Agency) to discuss the implications of same-sex marriage policy on other areas of government; however as these were informal meetings there are no agendas or minutes. A private meeting was held between ministers in the Government Equalities Office and the Ministry of Justice. The Government Equalities Office does not hold an agenda or notes for this meeting.

The Government Equalities Office has not held any meetings with external organisations to specifically discuss same-sex marriage.

If you are dissatisfied with this response you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to the address below, quoting reference 20023. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

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Yours sincerely,

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