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Dear Mr Fox

Thank you for your enquiry of 2 December, and subsequent clarification, where you have requested statistical information on used Certificates of Sponsorship (CoS) for Tier 2 Intra Company Transfers (ICT) with a breakdown by employer and by the three most common industry codes. This has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested the following information.

- 1. For Tier 2 Intra Company Transfers, a monthly break down of all used COS by SOC from January 2009 to present.
- 1a. For Jan 2009 to Dec 2009 -
- i. the 25 employers who are listed most often on used COS; the number of times each employer is listed; and the 3 most common SOC used by each of the 25 employers and the number of times each SOC is used.
- 1b. For Jan 2010 to present -
- i. the 25 employers who are listed most often on used COS; the number of times each employer is listed; and the 3 most common SOC used by each of the 25 employers and the number of times each SOC is used.

I have attached the requested information in the 3 accompanying spreadsheets. The tables show the following breakdown of information:

- 1) Tier 2 ICT Used Certificates of Sponsorship for the period 1 January 2009 to 16 December 2010
- 2) Tier 2 ICT Used Certificates of Sponsorship for the period 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2009 Top 25 Employers
- 3) Tier 2 ICT Used Certificates of Sponsorship for the period 1 January 2010 to 16 December 2010 Top 25 Employers

The figures quoted are not provided under National Statistics protocols and have been derived from local management information and are therefore provisional and subject to change.

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Yours sincerely,

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