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## **Freedom of Information Request**

Dear Mr Tyes,

Thank you for your email of 2 August, in which you repeated your request for information under reference: FOI 86926

Chris Grayling has appointed Sir Bill Jeffrey to conduct a thorough and independent review of independent criminal advocacy.

Please could you let me know the estimated cost to the public purse of this Review and when it is expected to report back.

Your request has been passed to me because I have responsibility for answering requests relating to Legal Aid.

Your request is being handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Under the Act, the department is required to provide you with a response within 20 working days. I will write to you in response to your request for information by 1 September 2014.

The Freedom of Information Act includes a number of exemptions to releasing information. Some of these are qualified exemptions which require us to consider whether it is in the public interest to disclose or withhold the information. In these circumstances we may need more time to consider your request, and if this is the case I will write to you by the date above to inform you of when you can expect to receive a response.

If you have any queries regarding this request please do not hesitate to contact me, quoting ref: FOI/92516 in all future correspondence.

Yours sincerely

**Rachel Hastings**