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Date 5/11/14

Dear J Roberts

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FoI) internal review request received on 21 October 2014. You said:

*In response to my request:*

*'For each of the past three financial years please provide details of:*

*i. the total amount paid to ICE staff in bonuses;'*

*You wrote:*

*'I can confirm that the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) might hold information falling within the description specified in your first question. However given that there has been a number of staff changes within the ICE office since April 2011, the cost of complying with your request would exceed the appropriate limit of £600.00.'*

*You subsequently provided details of the 5 largest bonuses paid to ICE staff for each of the 3 years in question, which indicates that you do hold information falling within the description of my request.*

*1. Please provide details of the total amount paid to ICE staff in bonuses for each of the three years requested.*

## Response

A second internal review has been carried out by someone of a senior grade to the person who dealt with your original request.

As a result of this review I am satisfied that our original response was handled properly and that the outcome of your request was correct.

The reasoning behind this decision is as follows. In our previous response we did not say that we did not have the information requested but that it was too expensive to provide. We were able to provide the largest five bonuses as locating this information via the Resource Management (RM) Database was within financial limits.

Your freedom of information request of 5 September 2014 has now been reviewed twice. If you remain dissatisfied you should contact the Information Commissioner as detailed below.

Yours sincerely,

DWP Central FoI Team

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF  
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