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Dear Manfred Stobartson,

REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002 (FOISA)

Thank you for your request dated 7th April 2020 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA).

Your request

You asked if the following was accurate:

"The figures show Scotland's revenue is enough to cover all devolved spending as well as all spending on pensions and other social protection."

Response to your request

Information on public spending and revenue in Scotland is available from the Government Expenditure & Revenue Scotland (GERS) publication. Table 3.8 shows the split between devolved and reserved expenditure in Scotland and Table 1.1 reports total revenue in Scotland. As shown in Table 1.1, revenue raised in Scotland in 2018-19 is estimated to be £62.7bn. This covers total devolved expenditure and all reserved spending on Social Protection which includes pensions and other social protection. These are shown in Table 3.8 as £44.7 billion and £18 billion respectively.

Your right to request a review

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If you are unhappy with this response to your FOI request, you may ask us to carry out an internal review of the response, by writing to:

Gary Gillespie
Scottish Government
St Andrew's House
Regent Road
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or by email at: Gary.Gillespie@gov.scot

Your review request should explain why you are dissatisfied with this response, and should be made within 40 working days from the date when you received this letter. We will complete the review and tell you the result, within 20 working days from the date when we receive your review request.

If you are not satisfied with the result of the review, you then have the right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner. More detailed information on your appeal rights is available on the Commissioner's website at: <http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/YourRights/Unhappywiththeresponse/AppealingtoCommissioner.aspx>.

Yours sincerely

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