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Dear Mr Caxton,

I am writing to confirm that we are working through your FOI request. However, on this occasion we are unable to respond to you within the statutory deadline of 20 working days.

The Department takes very seriously its obligations under the Act, including the requirement to respond within this set timeframe. I am afraid that, in this instance, we have been unable to maintain this standard and while there may be mitigating circumstances, any delay is not acceptable and I apologise for the inconvenience that it may cause you.

We hope to respond to your request as soon as possible.

If you have any further questions in relation to this FOI or the FOI process more generally, please do not hesitate to get in touch (holly.ridout@education.gov.uk).

Kind regards,

Holly

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