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A Clerk

By email: request-358216-351d8e74@whatdotheyknow.com

16th December 2016

Dear A Clerk,

Freedom of Information Requests - RFI20162220

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act) dated 21st November 2016, seeking the following information:

"In a recent foi response you stated the following...

A: "The TV licence is not a payment or contract for services, rather it is a legal permission to use or install a television receiver."

B : "The use of a TV receiver without a valid licence is a criminal offence. "

*Please provide me with documentation to substantiate the claims A and B above.
(or was it your intention to mislead the public?)*

In your response You completely sidestepped my request with your usual bbc bullshit

I read that you are in great financial trouble. I hope you go into liquidation. The sooner the better."

Under section 14(2) of the Act, we are not required to respond to repeat requests. The Information Commissioner's guidance with respect to repeat requests states that where a public authority has previously complied with a request for information, it is not obliged to comply with a subsequent identical or substantially similar request from that person.

As we have already dealt with a similar request of yours (RFI20161662), we are of the view that the BBC is not obliged to comply with this request. If you remain dissatisfied, your appeal rights are set out below.

Appeal Rights

If you are not satisfied that we have complied with the Act in responding to your request, you have the right to an internal review by a BBC senior manager or legal adviser. Please contact us at the address above, explaining what you would like us to review and including your reference number. If you are not satisfied with the internal review, you can appeal to the Information Commissioner. The contact details are: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF, Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or 01625 545 745 (national rate) or see <http://www.ico.gov.uk/>.

Yours sincerely

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