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Dear Mr Johnson

Thank you for your request dated 12 July for a review of our failure to respond to your request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA) for information on the following:

"Mrs Salmond recently accompanied the First Minister to the US for Tartan Week. Who funded her trip? What were the costs of her trip flight, hotels? What was the purpose of her visit? What public engagements did she undertake."

I have been asked by David Wilson (Director of Communications and Ministerial Support) to carry out a review of our failure to respond to your request within the 20 working day deadline which expired on 13 June 2014. I will establish the reasons for our failure to respond on time and, in accordance with section 21(4) of FOISA, I will also reach a decision on your request.

We received your review request on the 12 July 2014 so I will respond in accordance with FOISA by the 12 August 2014.

If you have any gueries, please contact me quoting case number FOI /14/ 01187.

Yours sincerely,

Julie Carr.





