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Dear Mr Rushton

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Thank you for your request, which was received on 6 March, for the following information:

"I have made several request to hmrc as to why UK tax money is going into a citibank account which is an American owned banking institution.
On the government website it states it goes into a barclays account I have phoned barclays and they have confirmed the following bank account is not held with them.
083210
12001039

Unless you satisfy me with an answer to this deceit I will be in my lawful right to withhold paying taxes. I understand you have been pulling this scam for a long time and you thought you would never get caught but the truth will always come forth"

I can confirm that the sort code 08-32-10, along with other similar sort codes, belonged to Citibank, who formerly provided banking services to HMRC. These sort codes, and some related account numbers, were transferred to the ownership of Government Banking when that contract ended

All Government Banking sort codes/account numbers are mapped, behind the scenes, to actual bank accounts at the current commercial banking providers for a department. For HMRC, that is now Barclays Bank PLC.

This means, if banking providers change in the future, the payment instructions available to many of HMRC's customers will remain unchanged: the Government Banking details will be re-mapped, behind the scenes, to accounts with the next provider.

If you are not satisfied with this reply you may request a review within two months by emailing foi.review@hmrc.gsi.gov.uk, or by writing to the address at the top right-hand side of this letter.

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Yours sincerely,

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