



PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

[REDACTED]

Our ref: 2025.09

By Email

Date: 06/05/2025

Dear [REDACTED],

I refer to your e-mail of 14/03/25 in which you requested the following information:

I am writing to make an open government request for all the information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please provide a list of any and all contact your organisation and/or staff have had with British American Tobacco, Imperial Brands, Japan Tobacco International, Philip Morris International, as well as any other domestic or transnational tobacco companies or anyone representing the tobacco industry including subsidiaries of tobacco industry.

I would like this information for the period from 23 April 2023- 10 March 2025

Contact would primarily include attending or arranging meetings or functions, and responding to correspondence or phone calls.

Please break down the information by:

- *Tobacco company or representative's name*
- *Date of contact(s)*
- *Type of contact (meeting, email, letter, phone call, text/app message or video call, e-card or any other form of electronic communication)*
- *Place of contact, if relevant*
- *Purpose of contact*
- *Outcome of contact, including if no action taken*

I request that the information be provided electronically. I would be grateful if you could confirm in writing that you have received this request.

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12,

please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

On 31/03/25 we replied to your request, with a request that you refine your request, as we could not suitably search for information relating to “Tobacco Companies” without a suitable definition of what constitutes a Tobacco Company.

You then on 28/04/25 provided us with the following refined request:

Thank you for your response. If you could reconsider the query ,focussing solely on the following companies, that would be appreciated:

British American Tobacco, Imperial Brands, Japan Tobacco International, Philip Morris International

This request will be managed by The King’s and Lord Treasurer’s Rembrancer (KLTR) under the Freedom of Information Act (Scotland) 2002 (FOISA).

I am able to provide you with the following information in relation to your queries.

We have conducted a search of our case management records and we have no record of any conduct with any of the tobacco companies you have named above.


We are unable to provide a full search of staff correspondence due to staff changes, leave and secondments, but can also confirm that any dealings with a company would normally be recorded on our case management systems.

If you are dissatisfied with the KLTR response to your FOI request, you have the right to ask us to review it. Your review request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter; please e-mail enquiries@kltr.gov.uk and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt.

The review will be undertaken by a member of the KLTR FOI team who was not involved in the original consideration of your request.

Under section 47(1) of FOISA if the KLTR position is unchanged following a review you have the right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months of receiving the review.

Yours sincerely


Policy Team
KLTR