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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST QLTR - MEDIA OFFICERS

Thank you for your request dated 8 April by email under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA) for:

- 1. The number of media or press officers (meaning staff who deal with journalists as a significant part of their job) who work for your organisation in Scotland
- 2. The sum total of the media or press officers' annual salaries for the past year (one figure)
- 3. The amount spent in the past year on external public relations agencies for issues about dealing with the media (one figure)
- 4. If money has been spent on external PR agencies as in question 3, above, please state the name/names of the agency/agencies.

The QLTR employs no media or press officers. If the QLTR requires such assistance she is assisted by an officer in the Communications Unit of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service (COPFS).

Accordingly we do not hold the information requested.

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled, you do have the right to ask us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to The QLTR, Unit 5, 14a South St Andrew Street, Edinburgh EH2 2AZ, or for requests sent by e-mail to cogltr@copfs.gsi.gov.uk.

The review will be undertaken by staff not involved in the original decision making process.



If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, there is a right of appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner under section 47(1) of FOISA.

Should you subsequently wish to appeal against the Commissioner's decision on such an appeal, there is a right of appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only."

