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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your email sent to the Scotland Office on the 1 May 2013.

You asked for the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

I am looking for information about gifts and donations. Please could you provide me with the following:

- 1. How many gifts have been donated over the past calendar five years? Please could you break this down year-by-year up until April 2013?*
- 2. In each instance where an item has been donated, please could you detail what the item is, its approximate value, the date it was donated, who donated and why it was donated.*
- 3. If the item was donated to a specific individual, please could you state who that individual is.*
- 4. How many monetary donations have there been over the past five calendar years? Please could you break this down year-by-year up until April 2013?*
- 5. In each instance where a sum of money has been donated, please could you state how much (in pounds sterling) was donated, the date it was donated, who donated it and why it was donated.*
- 6. If the donation was given to a specific individual, please could you state who that individual is.*

Clarification - I am looking for information about gifts and donations RECEIVED by the department.

I am writing to confirm that the Scotland Office has now completed its search for information.

In response to 1, 2 and 3. Please see list and details of gifts received by the Scotland Office for the past five calendar years, attached at the Annex. Please note that the gifts were given to the Office and not to individuals.

Gifts received by Scotland Office Ministers and Special Advisors (over the value of £140) are disclosed on the Scotland Office website under publications.

In response to 4, 5 and 6, no member of Scotland Office staff has received a monetary donation over the past five calendar years

If you are dissatisfied with the decision made in relation to your request you may ask for an internal review. A request for an internal review should be addressed to:

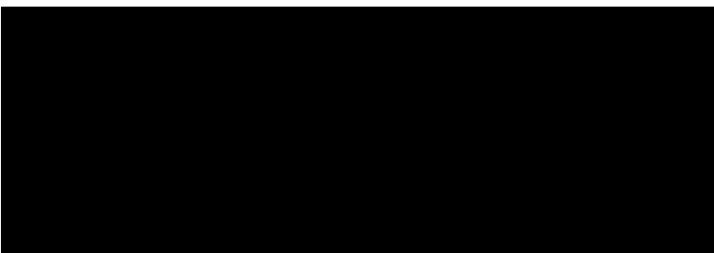
FOI Officer
1 Melville Crescent
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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The contact details are:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
CHESHIRE
SK9 5AF

If you have any queries about this letter please contact me.

Yours sincerely




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Annex

GIFTS RECEIVED BY THE SCOTLAND OFFICE FOR THE PERIOD 2008 – APRIL 2013

Year	No. of gifts	Details and value of Gift	Date donated	Who donated it	Why it was donated
Jan - April 2013	0	0	0	0	• N/K
2012	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ornamental Plate – N/K • Bottle of Whisky – approx. £15 • Earphones – approx. £30 • Bottle of wine – approx. £20 • Bottle of wine and silk scarf – approx. £30 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10/12/2012 • 29/3/2012 • 31/5/2013 • 22/11/2012 • 10/12/2012 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing Committee on State Security, House of Representatives, Thailand • Edrington Group • Wolfson Electronics • Hospitality Industry Trust • Standing Committee, House of Representatives, Thailand 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/K • N/K • N/K • N/K • N/K
2011	0	0	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0	0
2009	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vatican Coins – N/K • Scarf – N/K 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/10/2009 • 2009 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Vatican • Budget Office, People's 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/K • N/K

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 bottles of wine – N/K 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/12/2009 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Congress, China Anon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/K
2008	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Felt bag and model yurt – N/K • Shortbread and bonbons – N/K • Puff candy N/K • Sweets and calendar – N/K • Hamper and 2 boxes of wine – N/K 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2008 • 5/6/2008 • 1/10/2008 • 10/12/2008 • 10/12/2008 • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Krgyz Ambassador • Poppy Scotland • Poppy Scotland • MJ Ferguson/ASEL • Suzanne James Caterers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/K • N/K • N/K • N/K • N/K