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**Freedom of Information Request**

You requested:

I am writing in response to the Freedom of Information request you submitted to this office by email dated 5th May 2015. I have now been able to consider your request, and I can confirm the following information under section 1 (1) (a) of the Act:

1. Could you please tell me how many people have been recruited in the department as contingent workers in every financial year since 2010/11? Contingent labour should cover all workers employed by the department on a non-permanent basis. For example, as consultants or agency staff. If possible, could you also provide me with the information that shows a breakdown of the type of work carried out by workers recruited as contingent labour, the organisation from which they were hired, and the total cost of their services?

2010/11 – Do not hold

2011/12 – 0

2012/13 – 1 temporary member of staff

Administrative support

Kelly Services

£1182.06

2013/14 – 0

2014/15 – 1 temporary member of staff

Press office support

Capita Resourcing Ltd

£34,127.87

1. Could you please tell me how many people have been promoted in the department in every one of the five financial years since 2010/11, including a breakdown by job grade? Could you also please provide the figures for promotions as a proportion of total employees within each grade and the department as a whole?

The following people were promoted in AGO after civil service wide fair and open competitions;

2010/11 – Do not hold

2011/12 – 1 x SCS1a promoted to SCS2 (1 x SCS1a - total staff 38)

               1 x AO promoted to EO (1 of 6 AOs – total staff 38)

2012/13 – 1 x AO promoted to EO (1 of 6 AOs –total staff 38)

2013/14 – Do not hold

2014/15 – 1 x Grade 7 promoted to Grade 6 (1 of 3 G7s – total staff 39)

                1 x HEO promoted to SEO (1 of 5 HEOs – total staff 39)

2015/16 – 1 x SCS 1 promoted to SCS2 (1 of 3 SCS1s – total staff 38)