



Scotland Office

Oifis Na H-Albainn

To: [REDACTED]

By Email: [REDACTED]

Scotland Office
Dover House
London, SW1A 2AU

Telephone: 020 7270 [REDACTED]

www.scotlandoffice.gov.uk

FOI/DB 344

22 December 2011

To [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your Email that you sent to the Scotland Office on 15 November 2011 which we received on the same day.

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

1) *Details of all meetings between Scotland Office ministers and journalists conducted over a) breakfast; b) lunch; c) dinner since 12 May 2010, including a list of all those present at each meeting.*

2) *Details of all meetings between Scotland Office special advisers and journalists conducted over a) breakfast; b) lunch; c) dinner since 12 May 2010, including a list of all those present at each meeting.*

I would prefer to receive this information electronically.

If my request is denied in whole or in part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the Act. I will also expect you to release all non-exempt material. I reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any information or to charge excessive fees.

Information relating to Minister's and Special Advisor's meetings with Editors is already published, along with information about Minister's hospitality, on the Cabinet Office and Scotland Office websites – the following links may therefore be helpful to you:

www.scotlandoffice.gov.uk and www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk

Although the information is already published elsewhere, to make it easier for you, I have summarised the information you requested below:

Secretary of State for Scotland

Lunch – 02/02/11 - Mike Settle from the Herald and Andrew Grice from the Independent

Lunch - 15/02/11 - Carole Walker BBC.

Lunch: 01/11/11 - David Thompson BBC.

Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Scotland

Lunch – 15/07/10 - Michael Settle – The Herald

Lunch - 06/12/10 – Dave Maddox – The Scotsman

Lunch - 19/10/11 – Dave Maddox – The Scotsman

Lunch - 10/11/11 – James Kirkup – The Telegraph

Special Adviser to the Secretary of State for Scotland

Lunch – 24/05/11 - David Maddox – The Scotsman

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:

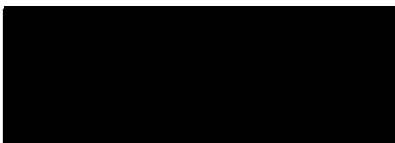
FOI Officer
1 Melville Crescent
EDINBURGH
EH3 7HW

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,



pp 
Scotland Office