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Dear Requester

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: 2022-676057

We acknowledge your request for the following information:

"In the five years preceding our departure from the EU, how many times did the Scottish government choose to operate outside EU law?"

Your request was received on 07 June 2022 and has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A).

The information you have requested is not held by the Scottish Parliament and therefore we cannot provide it to you.

As your request is for information about the Scottish Government you may wish to contact them directly about this matter.

The Scottish Government and Scottish Parliament are two separate organisations. The Scottish Government is responsible for formulating policy and implementing laws that have been passed by the Scottish Parliament.

The following webpage includes information about how to request information from the Scottish Government:

https://www.gov.scot/about/contact-information/how-to-request-information/

Further information about the roles of the Scottish Parliament and the Scottish Government together with how laws are made by the Scottish Parliament are available in a number of online leaflets here: Information resources - Visit & Learn: Scottish Parliament

In line with the technical requirements of FOI(S)A we have provided a notice advising that the information you have requested is not held by the Scottish Parliament.

We would welcome feedback or comment on how we handled your request. Please feel free to contact the Head of Information Governance at foi.officer@parliament.scot

Please find below Annex A, which explains how we handle FOI requests and reviews.

We are currently working remotely and so would ask you to contact us by email at foi.officer@parliament.scot

Yours sincerely,

Tiegan Brock
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How we handle FOI requests

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<u>Privacy notice: Information rights: Freedom of Information request handling |</u>
Scottish Parliament Website

Alternatively, please contact the Public Information & Resources Team to request a copy.

https://www.parliament.scot/contact-us

Review

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which we have dealt with your request for information, you can ask us to review our decision and actions. You must do this in writing (or other permanent form) within 40 working days of the date of this letter, stating the reasons for your dissatisfaction, and we will respond within 20 working days of receipt. A request for a review should be made to the Head of Information Governance:

Post: Head of Information Governance

The Scottish Parliament

Edinburgh EH99 1SP

Telephone: 0131 348 5281

We welcome calls using the Text Relay service or in British Sign Language through contactSCOTLAND-BSL.

E-mail: foi.officer@parliament.scot

Application to the Scottish Information Commissioner

If, on the outcome of any review, you are still dissatisfied, or if we are unable to resolve any other complaint, then you can contact the Scottish Information Commissioner:

Post: The Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner

Kinburn Castle Doubledykes Road

St Andrews

Fife

KY16 9DS

Email: www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal

Telephone: 01334 464610

Fax: 01334 464611

Website: <u>www.itspublicknowledge.info</u>

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Scottish Parliament Website

Complaints

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which we dealt with your enquiry, then you may wish to raise the matter with Public Information and Resources.

How to contact us

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0800 092 7500 (Public Enquiries)

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