Dear

## ATISN 21945 - Overseas Offices - Costs

Thank you for your request for information which I received on 19 September. In your email you have asked for:

"... the total annual running costs for the Welsh Government's 21 overseas offices in 12 countries around the world. Please include all aspects of cost such as rent, staff, energy bills and so on."

## Response

The information requested is exempt under Section 21 of the FOI Act (Information accessible to the applicant by other means).

Details of the cost of running the Welsh Government offices overseas was published in response to a freedom of information request on 12 February 2024 and can be found using the following link FOI release 20087: Overseas Offices | GOV.WALES

FOI release 20087 lists the total annual running costs for the previous 5 years. The information for financial year 2023-24 is not currently available but will be towards the end of the year and we will write again to pass this on or tell you where you can find it.

## **Next steps**

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit Welsh Government Cathays Park Cardiff CF10 3NQ

or e-mail: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Website: www.ico.org.uk

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely