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Dear

ATISN 17294 – Overseas Offices

Thank you for your request which I received on 17 March 2023. You asked for:

- 1) *The number and location of current active international Welsh Government offices.*
- 2) *The number of staff employed at each of the offices in question.*
- 3) *The annual budget assigned to each of the offices in question.*

Response

The information requested under points 1) and 2) are exempt under Section 21 of the FOI Act (Information accessible to the applicant by other means). Details of the location of the Welsh Government offices overseas, including the number of staff based at each office, was published in response to a freedom of information request on 27 February 2023 and can be found using the following link [FOI release 17149 GOV.WALES](#). We also have an office in London and this office currently has 4 staff.

The annual overseas offices running cost budget is £4.684m, this includes office rent, FCDO platform charges, staff salaries and on-costs. We do not set programme running cost budgets for each office as these are managed centrally. The overseas offices also have an annual combined activity budget of £750,000 that supports network-wide activity.

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Information Rights Unit
Welsh Government
Cathays Park
Cardiff
CF10 3NQ
or e-mail: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

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Wilmslow
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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