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18 December 2019

Dear [REDACTED],

**Freedom of Information request: FOI2019/00025**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 09 December 2019 in which you requested the following:

**Your request:**

*"Thank you for publishing your spend data here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/innovate-uk-transactions-over-25000>. However, I notice that you haven't published any spending data since August 2019.*

*I'd like to make a request under the Freedom of Information act for all transactions over £25,000 from September 2019 to a month in arrears from the date at which you publish in response to this request.*

*Please provide the data in a machine readable format (preferably csv). As a minimum, please make sure to include the date, value and recipient of each transaction. Please also provide details on the procurement category of each transaction if you have it."*

**Our response**

I can confirm UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) hold the information relevant to your request.

The Innovate UK transactions over £25,000 data for September 2019 can now be found on the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/innovate-uk-transactions-over-25000>

The data for October 2019 and November 2019 is exempt from disclosure under Section 22(1) of the FOIA as it is intended for future publication. Section 22 is a qualified exemption meaning that it is subject to the public interest test.

UKRI understand that being transparent in regard to our spending is in the public interest. However, due to the pre-election period there has been a delay in publishing transparency data. As it stands the data has not yet been compiled and it would be premature to release at this stage. We are of the view that releasing the information as it currently stands would be incomplete and misleading, thus not in the public interest.

We have therefore determined that the public interest is best served by withholding this information from disclosure at the present time, however once the information is released you will find it on the link included above.

If you have any queries regarding our response or you are unhappy with the outcome of your request and wish to seek a review of the decision, please contact:

Head of Information Governance

Email: [foi@ukri.org](mailto:foi@ukri.org) or [infogovernance@ukri.org](mailto:infogovernance@ukri.org)

Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are still not content with the outcome of the review, you may apply to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the review procedure provided by UKRI. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: <http://www.ico.gov.uk/>

If you wish to raise a complaint regarding the service you have received or the conduct of any UKRI staff in relation to your request, please see UKRI's complaints policy: <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/policies-and-standards/complaints-policy/>

Yours sincerely,



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