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Dear

## ATISN 15592 Slavery audit

## Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 11 October 2021. You requested information on the following aspects of <u>The Slave Trade and the British Empire: An</u> <u>Audit of Commemoration in Wales</u>:

- Who initiated the "audit"?
- What has it cost so far, and what is the estimated total cost?
- How many officials are involved in this audit?

The audit was initiated by the First Minister. In his <u>Written Statement</u> he explained its purpose and scope.

The cost to the Welsh Government to compile and publish the audit was £17,014. A year on from its publication we are undertaking some minor amendments. We estimate that the cost of this additional work will be no more than £2,000.

There were five Welsh Government officials involved in the production of the audit, although this was in addition to their usual duties.

## 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 Email: 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.

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

Yours sincerely