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Dear

Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), which was received by the Human Tissue Authority (HTA) on 7 August 2018. Your email outlined the following request:

Please disclose the amount paid in compensation in the financial years 2015/16, '16/17 and '17/18 for personal injuries to HTA staff; Please disclose how many individual claims this represented; For '16/17 and 17/18 please disclose the amount paid in each case and the legal fees incurred in each case, along with a description of the claim, including details of the injury.

Response

The Human Tissue Authority has not paid in compensation of any amounts in the financial years 2015/16, 2016/17 or 2017/18. As an Arm's Length Body, the HTA would not be directly responsible for such payments in the first instance, but would have to defer to its Sponsor Department and HM Treasury.

Further information

If you are unhappy with the way the HTA has handled your request for information in this case, you may in the first instance ask us for an internal review by writing to us at the above postal or email address.

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have the right to appeal directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision, at the address below. There is no charge for making an appeal.

Information Commissioner's Office

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Yours sincerely

