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**Subject:** FOI 013/18 Donations to Mr Sharma - Response

Dear [REDACTED]

**Our Ref: FOI 013/18**

Thank you for your email to the Electoral Commission dated **26 January 2018**.

The Commission aims to respond to requests for information promptly and has done so within the statutory timeframe of twenty working days.

Your request is in bold below followed by our response.

**In regards to an alleged impermissible non cash donations made to Mr Sharma in respect of funding of a celebration party following the 2010 UK Parliamentary General Election, I wish to know whether or not a cheque of £5000 was included in the evidence. The review was completed on 7th December 2011. This is a matter of public interest as rumours have resurfaced of Sharma's connection to India.**

Our response is as follows: **It was not.**

I trust that this information satisfies your request.

If you are not satisfied with this response, please note that the Commission operates a review procedure, details of which can be found on the Commission website at:  
<http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/about-us/freedom-of-information-requests/how-do-i-make-an-foi-request>

Please also note that if you have exhausted all internal Commission review procedures and you are still not satisfied you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner. Details of this procedure can be found on the ICO website:  
<https://ico.org.uk/>

Yours sincerely,

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