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From: FOI
Sent: 23 March 2022 15:31
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FOI 027-22 - Response

Dear [REDACTED],

Our Ref: FOI-027-22

Thank you for your email to the Electoral Commission dated 13 March 2022, and received on the 14 March 2022.

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 shown below followed by our response.

I have looked at your website & couldn't find the information I was searching for, I would be grateful for your help. Please point me in the right direction..

Please send me links to the pages on your website, or to the data you hold, which show:

- 1. Which UK political parties have accepted donations from overseas donors*
- 2. Which UK politicians have accepted donations from overseas donors*
- 3. Which members of the House of Lords have accepted donations from overseas donors.*

Overseas donor's? Individuals or organisations who are not British Citizens, who might have British Citizenship but also have citizenship of non British territories.

For the avoidance of doubt, I have used the term politician in it's broadest sense. Please also provide links to the UK constituent government's parties & members - if you have evidence of overseas funding. An example of the later would be the Welsh Senedd.

Our response is as follows:

We do not hold the information you have requested.

The rules for a political party or individual that receive a donation are that the individual donor must be on a UK electoral register. The responsibility of registering voters lies with Electoral Registration teams in local authorities. The criteria for registering can be found [here](#).

Parties and individuals must report relevant donations to us, giving the name of the individual and the address at which they are registered. They are not required under the legislation to include a person's citizenship or nationality when reporting to us and we do not therefore hold that information about any donors.

If you are looking for a particular individual, you can search our register of donations [here](#).

The Commission strives to be an open, transparent authority. 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: <https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/freedom-information/make-a-freedom-information-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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