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Dear Mr Wood

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Thank you for your request of 21 April under the above legislation for information about FOI requests received from Members of Parliament and for numbers of page views for the Cabinet Office website homepage.

I am writing to advise you that following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you requested concerning the number of requests made by MPs is not held by this Department. No special record is kept of requests made by MPs and, in any event, we would only be aware that a request came from an MP if he were to volunteer the information.

You also asked about any guidance produced by the Cabinet Office relating to the handling of FOI requests from MPs. We have published guidance to drafting answers to Parliamentary Questions in the light of FOI which is on the Cabinet Office website at:

http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/propriety_and_ethics/civil_service/pq_guidance.asp.

The information you requested concerning page views is attached.

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The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely



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CABINET OFFICE PAGE VIEWS

Taking the address of the Cabinet Office to be
<http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/> the results are

MONTH (January - December 2005)	PAGE VIEWS HOMEPAGE
January	72,842
February	72,865
March	85,069
April	117,561
May	90,101
June	85,130
July	93,490
August	82,532
September	88,780
October	89,231
November	91,287
December	77,368

