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Freedom of Information request: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information concerning former BBC employees in Ofcom's Standards Team. Your request was received on 19 May 2022 and we have considered it under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Your request and our response

1. Are there any former BBC employees involved within Ofcom's Standards Team?

Yes. The BBC is a major employer in the media space and it is common for people working in the sector to have spent time working at the broadcaster. Sometimes these are short term contracts and freelance projects and this may be the case for many of these employees.

- 2. If the answer is yes can I please have the total number of former BBC Employees working within this area for Ofcom.
- 3. Again if there are former BBC Employees working within the Ofcom Standards Team what percentage are they of the total number of staff working in this department.

In answer to questions 2 and 3, Ofcom does not routinely hold former employment details of colleagues in an extractable format. We therefore do not hold information on the total number and percentage requested for.

If you have any further queries, then please send them to information.requests@ofcom.org.uk quoting the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

Zach Westbrook

If you are unhappy with the response you have received in relation to your request for information and/or consider that your request was refused without a reason valid under the law, you may ask for an internal review. If you ask us for an internal review of our decision, it will be subject to an independent review within Ofcom.

The following outcomes are possible:

- the original decision is upheld; or
- the original decision is reversed or modified.

Timing

If you wish to exercise your right to an internal review **you should contact us within two months of the date of this letter**. There is no statutory deadline for responding to internal reviews and it will depend upon the complexity of the case. However, we aim to conclude all such reviews within 20 working days, and up to 40 working days in exceptional cases. We will keep you informed of the progress of any such review. If you wish to request an internal review, you should contact information.requests@ofcom.org.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Further information about this, and the internal review process can be found on the Information Commissioner's Office here. Alternatively, the Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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