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Dear Ms. Sullivan,

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – request response (ref: 3304)

I am writing to confirm that Brunel University London has now concluded the response to part 1 of your request of 24 November 2022 for information relating to arms trade companies and University investments. Please accept my apologies for the length of time it has taken to address your follow-up question to our original response of 03 November.

Your original request was as follows:

> *'Can you please provide:*
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> *1) An annual investment report detailing the name of company/organisation, amount invested, and type of investment of that financial year. If you do not have a copy of this, please send me a list of the names of the fund(s) and the corresponding management companies. If the management companies do not provide the list of funds, please provide the name of the management companies and the amount given to them annually.'*

Our original response provided a link to our financial statements, and on 04 November you replied to inform us that the report did not detail any of the points of information you were requesting.

We then clarified, on 04 November, that the University does not hold investments in companies of any sort, and that our Financial Statements confirmed that all of our investments are held as cash with commercial banks. On 14 November you asked us to list the name of these banks and the amount given to them annually.

Our response:

The cash held as investments with commercial banks as at 31 July 2022 was as follows:

- Barclays - £10m
- Nationwide - £5m
- Lloyds - £20m

We trust this information will meet your requirements. However, if you are unhappy with the way the University has handled your request, or with the information you have received, you have the right of appeal.

If you wish to appeal, please set out in writing your reasons for appealing and send to the above address. You must appeal within 40 working days of the date of this letter. In line with section 5.3 of the UK Government's Freedom of Information Act Code of Practice, we are not obliged to accept internal reviews after this date.

If we are unable to resolve your complaint to your satisfaction, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Further information is available on their website: ico.org.uk, or by telephone on 0303 123 1113.

Please quote our reference given at the head of this letter in all correspondence.

Sincerely

Amy Pocknee
Freedom of Information Compliance Officer