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Dear Mr Eckersley,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 REQUEST REF: 1047-14

Thank you for your email of 18 November 2014 asking for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You asked:

Please provide the following information

- 1. Please list all British possessions, such as British Overseas Territories (BOTs) outside the British Islands
- 2. Please state which of those territories have a written Constitution.
- 3. Please supply copies of those Constitutions.

I am writing to confirm that we have now completed the search for the information which you requested.

I can confirm that the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) does hold information relevant to your request.

The following are British Overseas Territories and all have written constitutions:

- Anguilla
 The Anguilla Constitution Order 1982
- Bermuda
 The Bermuda Constitution Order 1968, as amended

- The British Antarctic Territory
 British Antarctic Territory Order 1989
- The British Indian Ocean Territory
 British Indian Ocean Territory (Constitution) Order 2004
- The Cayman Islands
 The Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009
- The Falkland Islands
 The Falkland Islands Constitution Order 2008
- Gibraltar

The Gibraltar Constitution Order 2006

- Montserrat
 - The Montserrat Constitution Order 2010
- Pitcairn Islands
 - The Pitcairn Constitution Order 2010
- South Georgian and the South Sandwich Islands
 The South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands Order 1985
- St Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha
 The St Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha Constitution Order 2009
- The Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia
 The Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia Order in Council 1960
- The Turks and Caicos Islands
 - The Turks and Caicos Islands Constitution Order 2011
- The Virgin Islands (commonly known as the British Virgin Islands)
 The Virgin Islands Constitution Order 2007

Save for the Constitutions of Bermuda and Gibraltar, copies of which I enclose, all of these Orders are available to download for free at www.legislation.gov.uk. Amendments to the Bermudian Constitution are also available at www.legislation.gov.uk.

I can also confirm that the following are Crown Dependencies:

- The Bailiwick of Guernsey
- The Bailiwick of Jersey
- The Isle of Man.

The Ministry of Justice (MoJ) is responsible for the relationship between the UK government and the Crown Dependencies and can provide you with more information in relation to their Constitutions. I attach a link to MoJ site - www.justice.gov.uk.

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Yours sincerely,

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