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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), which was received by the Human Tissue Authority (HTA) on Friday 24 September 2021. Your email outlined the following request:

I would like to know the following under the Freedom of Information Act.

Over the last five years,

- How many times has your organisation suffered a ransomware attack?
- Please detail the number of successful and unsuccessful attacks
- In the case of successful attacks, how much downtime did each cause
- Did you pay the ransom?
- How much did the ransom cost?

Response

- How many times has your organisation suffered a ransomware attack?

The HTA have not suffered any ransomware attack.

- Please detail the number of successful and unsuccessful attacks.

There were no successful attacks. It is not possible for us to disaggregate the specific categories of unsuccessful malware attacks.

- In the case of successful attacks, how much downtime did each cause

There have been no successful attacks.

- Did you pay the ransom?

The HTA have not paid any ransom.

- How much did the ransom cost?

Not applicable.

Further information

If you are unhappy with the way the HTA has handled your request for information in this case, you may in the first instance ask us for an internal review by writing to us at the above postal or email address.

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to appeal directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision, at the address below. There is no charge for making an appeal.

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Water Lane
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Website: www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

