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Dear

Thank you for your Official Information Act (OIA) request, received on 9 February 2023. You requested:

Please can you publish a list of 25 business that the public sector has spent the most money with over the last five years, and how much was spent with each business.

I would like to see whether it has changed over that time, what businesses they are, and what strategies are in place to manage the businesses.

The Treasury does not hold this information. Therefore, your request is refused under section 18(e) of the OIA – the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or cannot be found.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) may be published on the Treasury website.

This reply addresses the information you requested. You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision.

Yours sincerely

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Deputy Chief Government Accountant