

Corporate Management
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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your email of 21 December 2015.

Our response to your request is as follows:

Would the Mayor of London please state:

(a) on what precise date or dates in early 2013 he visited San Francisco?

The Mayor visited San Francisco from Sunday 3rd to Tuesday 5th February 2013.

(b) what was the purpose of the visit?

The purpose was to pursue a significant investment opportunity.

c) what meetings took place in San Francisco?

The Mayor met with senior representatives from Apple.

(d) which employees of the Greater London Authority, Transport for London or any other organisation within the Greater London Authority Group accompanied the Mayor of London on this trip?

The Mayor was accompanied by Sir Edward Lister and Isabel Dedring.

(e) why does it appear that the Mayor has not recorded his extensive trip in his statutory monthly to the London Authority, the report being a requirement as set out in Section 45 of the 1999 Greater London Authority Act.

There are occasions on which meetings about emerging proposals are not included in the Mayor's report.

(f) almost three years later can any evidence be provided of a positive outcome from this visit?

The meetings in San Francisco formed part of a continuing conversation about possible funding and sponsorship activities in London. It would not be appropriate to comment on the nature or outcomes of such discussions, as they are still ongoing.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, ensuring that you quote the reference at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

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