## GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA061017-9768

7 February 2018

Dear

Thank you for your request for information which the GLA received on 6 October 2017 and subsequent email of 30 October 2017. Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to your emails and any inconvenience this may have caused.

Your requests have been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

In relation to the Lebara Group, its subsidiary companies and founders (Ratheesan Yoganathan, Rasiah Ranjith Leon and Baskaran Kandiah), you asked for;

- a) Correspondence (including emails via @<u>lebara.com</u> or @<u>lebara.co.uk</u> email suffixes) since the year between 2008-2017 with Mayor, Deputy Mayors, Executive Directors and the Director of External Relations
- b) Records, including minutes and briefings relating to any meetings or other formal contact
- c) Financial and tax information
- d) Complaints received and/or investigations conducted

And on the subject matter of;

- Contracts made with Lebara
- Procurement deals awarded to or applied for by Lebara
- Payments between Lebara and the GLA or any connected body, specifically regarding any late payments, which you may have on record.
- Correspondence relating to or payment of business rates
- Planning applications made by Lebara, its subsidiaries or founders.
- The Eid Festival, which the company has sponsored for a number of years.
- The funding of the Eid Festival and in particular the sources of funding and the various contributions made.

Lebara have been key supporters of the Eid, Diwali and Africa on the Square events for a number of years. More information on this arrangement can be found on our <u>website</u>.

Please note that any planning applications made by Lebara, its subsidiaries or founders will have been submitted to the borough councils and not the GLA. I understand from your correspondence that you have also been in touch with the boroughs.

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Please find attached (Part A). This is a contract amendment letter from the Assistant Director, External Relations. The GLA does not have (and has no previously had) a Director of External Relations. We have not identified any correspondence between Lebara and the Mayor, Deputy Mayors or Executive Directors.

b) Records, including minutes and briefings relating to any meetings or other formal contact

Please find attached relevant emails as held by Emma Strain (Director of External Relations) and our Commercial Partnerships team. (Part B).

c) Financial and tax information

Please find attached (Part C).

d) Complaints received and/or investigations conducted

Please find attached copy of complaint received (Part D)

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference MGLA061017-9768.

Yours sincerely

## Paul Robinson Information Governance Officer

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https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/governance-and-spending/sharing-our-information/freedom-information