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Subject: Procurement/expenditure

This request asked:

How many payments below the £25,000 threshold did SFO make to Grant Thornton UK LLP, Legal Inc Ltd or any other Grant Thornton-owned entity between April 2010 and February 2014 and what was the total spend on these entities?

How many payments under £25,000 were made to external consultants in the calendar years 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 and what was the total spend in each calendar year?

Table 1. Information on payments below the £25,000 threshold to Grant Thornton.

	Grant Thornton	Legal Inc
2010-11	Total payments £187,498; of which 8 under £25,000 with a total of £100,698	Thirteen payments totalling £254,202
2011-12	One payment of £4,500	Three payments totalling £32,175
2012-13	Two payments totalling £3,325	Nil
2013-14	Nil	Nil

Table 2. Information on payments under £25,000 made to external consultants.

	Total Payments	Number of payments under 25K	Total Value of payments under 25K
2010-11	£ 1,504,068	43	£530,421
2011-12	£856,182	8	£75,162
2012-13	£31,115	1	£11,975
2013-14*	£13,812	3	£13,812

*subject to audit