

## **Freedom of Information Act Request**

Ref: FOI 19-20 39
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Date issued: 31 January 2020

## Subject: Apparel and General Merchandise Public/Private Protocol

## Question(s) asked and answer(s):

Could you please disclose minutes of all Apparel and General Merchandise Public/Private Protocol meetings since they first began (AGM PP). If this is likely to exceed the cost limit, please disclose as many as you can within the cost limit (starting with the most recent.)

Please disclose all reports and details of those reports that have been made to you with regard to textile manufacturers. Please include date, details, location etc. Please provide information going back to 2016, or as far back as you can go within the cost limit

Protocol meeting	Attachments	Comments
N/A	Apparel and General Merchandise Public / Private Protocol - Aims and Action List - August 2019 (redacted)	Apparel and GM Protocol Action Plan
13 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2018	Email 12/12/2018 (names redacted)	This email contains information relating to official launch of the protocol including the agenda for the meeting. The Apparel and General Merchandise Public Private Protocol referenced in the document is exempt (under s21 of the Act) as this information is accessible by other means. The Protocol can be found by accessing our website <u>here.</u> Email-12122018.pdf

4 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2019	Agenda 4 April 2019 (names redacted)	Please note that agenda has an incorrect date (4 <sup>th</sup> May). The meeting was in fact held on the 4 <sup>th</sup> April
27 <sup>th</sup> Jun 2019	Email 25/06/19 (names redacted)	Email 250619.pdf
	Apparel Forum notes 04/04/19 (names redacted)	Notes-04042019.pd f
	Apparel and GM Forum Agenda 27/06/19 (names redacted)	Agenda-27062019.p df
		Please note this meeting was cancelled but the invitation email was sent out in advance (25/6/19)
12 Dec 2019	Email 28/11/2019 (names redacted)	Email 28112019.pdf The ' <i>HMW</i> – <i>GM</i> – <i>Textiles</i> - <i>manufacturing</i> – <i>FINAL</i> ' report referenced in the document is exempt (under s21 of the Act) as this information is accessible by other means. The document can be found <u>here.</u>
Other information	Textiles Industry Headline Trends	Under our duty assist, industry profiles compiled by the GLAA which are published on our website. These are sectors at risk of labour exploitation and include key questions to ask to prevent and identify exploitation and what to consider when reporting intelligence.
You have also requested "all reports and details of those reports that have been made to you with regard to textile manufacturers". Such information is treated as intelligence material and is exempt from disclosure under the section 41 exemption.		