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Freedom of Information request: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information about music royalties worldwide.

We received this request on 18 March 2025 and we have considered your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Your request

"Ofcom and royalty payments made to Royalty collection entities worldwide.

I mean other music royalty collection entities in USA, Canada, Spin, Hong Kong, Israel, France, Switzerland, Finland, Germany, Mexico, Egypt, Estonia, Sweden, all Countries of the world. Each Country of the world has a main music royalty collection entity.

How much music royalty Ofcom has paid to each individual music royalty Collection entity in the world (for simplicity one music royalty collection per country or total amount Ofcom paid to each music royalty collection entity based in each country)."

Our response

We have searched our records for the last 5 years and have not found any payments to royalty collection entities worldwide.

We have made payments to <u>PPL PRS Ltd</u>. Please see our response here: <u>Music royalties paid to UK</u> Performing Rights Society.

We hope this information is helpful. If you have any further queries or wish for us to consider a different timeframe, please send your queries to information.requests@ofcom.org.uk – quoting the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

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Request an internal review

If you are unhappy with the response you have received to your request for information, or think that your request was refused without a reason valid under the law, you may ask for an internal review. If you do, it will be subject to an independent review within Ofcom. We will either uphold the original decision, or reverse or modify it.

If you would like to ask us to carry out an internal review, you should get in touch within two months of the date of this letter. There is no statutory deadline for us to complete our internal review, and the time it takes will depend on the complexity of the request. But we will

try to complete the review within 20 working days (or no more than 40 working days in exceptional cases) and keep you informed of our progress. Please email the Information Requests team (information.requests@ofcom.org.uk) to request an internal review.

Taking it further

If you are unhappy with the outcome of our internal review, then you have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office.