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Date
26 June 2024

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Post Office
100 Wood Street
London EC2V 9ER

Your Ref:

Classification:
Public

Dear [REDACTED],

Freedom of Information Request – FOI2024/00882

We are writing in response to your email received by Post Office Limited (“**Post Office**”) on 30 May, which has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“**FOIA**”).

In your email you have requested the information shown verbatim in bold below:

“I have in my possession a 5p Machin definitive stamp, Stanley Gibbons Y1670, first issued in June 1993, which is green, rather than the usual brown, in colour. Examination under a microscope reveals why the stamp is green, the magenta ink is almost entirely missing whilst it is obviously present in the brown stamp. As a Freedom of Information Request could you please tell me:

- 1. How many such green stamps were sold to the public**
- 2. From which Post Office were they sold”**

We can confirm that Post Office does not hold the information you have requested.

Under our section 16 FOIA duty to provide advice and assistance, Royal Mail Group (“**Royal Mail**”) is the sole supplier of stamps to Post Office branches, including the green stamps. Royal Mail may have the quantity of green stamps that were produced and supplied to Post Offices back in 1993.

Although Royal Mail are not subject to the FOIA, you may wish to contact them to see if they hold any of the requested information. You can call the Royal Mail Customer Services on 08457 740 740 or visit them online at:

<https://personal.help.royalmail.com/app/webforms/contact/c/310>.

You may also wish to visit The Postal Museum website to see if they hold any of the request information at:

<https://catalogue.postalmuseum.org/>

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of this response, you do have a right to request an internal review. You can do this by writing to the address above within 40 working days of receipt of this response stating your reasons for your internal review request or alternatively, by emailing information.rights@postoffice.co.uk.

If, having requested an internal review by Post Office, you are still not satisfied with our response you also have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113
www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints

Yours sincerely,

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