

**2015**

**Freedom of Information Request**

**Reference number – 15-011**

## Information relating to the Museum's sponsorship ethics

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  - *What corporate events have weapons manufacturers held at the Museums?*
  - *Have the Museums changed its ethical sponsorship, membership or fundraising policy in the last year?*
  - *Have the Museums received any enquires from weapons companies or other companies that have connections to weapons companies, and what was the response?*
  - *Have the Museums taken any bookings from weapons companies or other companies that have connections to weapons companies?*
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16 June 2015

**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION** – *Information relating to the Museum’s sponsorship ethics*

Thank you for your request for information. As Museum Secretary for Amgueddfa Cymru - National Museum Wales (‘the Museum’), I am responsible for responding to your request for information.

I refer to your email of 10 June 2015, in which you asked for the following information:

- *Have the Museums received corporate sponsorship or partnership funds from any company which could be considered a weapons manufacturer? (This list provides an overview of the largest of these companies <http://www.sipri.org/research/armaments/production/Top100>)*
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**Response**

Please find below the Museum’s response to your request.

- Have the Museums received corporate sponsorship or partnership funds from any company which could be considered a weapons manufacturer? (This list provides an overview of the largest of these companies <http://www.sipri.org/research/armaments/production/Top100>) – Answer no.
- What corporate events have weapons manufacturers held at the Museums? – Answer none.

- Have the Museums changed its ethical sponsorship, membership or fundraising policy in the last year? – Answer no.
- Have the Museums received any enquires from weapons companies or other companies that have connections to weapons companies, and what was the response? – Answer no.
- Have the Museums taken any bookings from weapons companies or other companies that have connections to weapons companies? – Answer no.

Your request was considered according to the principles set out in the National Assembly's Code of Practice on Public Access to Information (third edition). The Code is published on the Internet at [www.information.wales.gov.uk](http://www.information.wales.gov.uk).

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to the Director Finance and Corporate Resources at the following address:

Mr. Neil Wicks  
 Director of Finance and Corporate Resources  
 Amgueddfa Cymru – National Museum Wales  
 Cathays Park  
 Cardiff  
 CF10 3NP

When dealing with any concerns, we will follow the principles of the National Museum of Wales's Code of Practice on Complaints, which is available on our website at [www.museumwales.ac.uk/en/45/](http://www.museumwales.ac.uk/en/45/).

Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) if you are not content with the outcome of your complaint or review. Generally, the ICO will not make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Museum.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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

If you have any further queries or concerns then please contact me via my email address.

Yours sincerely

Elaine Cabuts  
Museum Secretary