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Dear Requestor,

Many thanks for your request received on 27th October 2014 regarding “International student recruitment agents”. Please find below the response to your enquiry.

1. Does your university use international student recruitment agents?

Response:

LSTM does not use international student recruitment agents.

1. How many non-EU students were enrolled at your institution using international student recruitment agents during the following years, broken down year-by-year: 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14?

Please see response to question 1.

1. What was the total amount spent by your institution on international student recruitment agents during the following years, broken down year-by-year: 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14?

Please see response to question 1.

1. Do students recruited to your institution using international student recruitment agents have to pay a fee to the agent?

Please see response to question 1.

1. Do international student recruitment agents recruiting for your institution tell prospective students that a) they are paid commission; and b) the amount of commission they will receive?

On how many occasions during 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14 has your institution had to take action regarding allegations of fraud, forgery, dishonesty, or other improper behaviour by an international student recruitment agent working on your behalf? For each instance, please provide brief details of the allegation and the action taken.

Please see response to question 1.

Should you be dissatisfied with our response, please contact us within a reasonable time (within 2 months of this response) to library@lstmed.ac.uk

If you remain dissatisfied, you may appeal this decision to the Information Commissioner. The contact details for the Information Commissioner are Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF, or via the website www.ico.gov.uk.

Should you require any further information or assistance in this matter, please don’t hesitate to contact me at the above address.

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Yours Sincerely,

Julia Martin

Head of Information Services