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Dear Ms Marra

SCOTTISH PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION S4W-09363
Fees for first instance cases in the Court of Session

The Cabinet Secretary in his response to the above PQ indicated that it relates to operational matters within the responsibility of the Scottish Court Service corporate body. I am now writing to you in response to the matter you have raised.

S4W-09363: To ask *how much was collected in fees for first instance cases in the Court of Session in (a) 2008-09, (b) 2009-10 and (c) 2010-11.*

It is not possible to provide you with fee collection amounts for first instance cases in the Court of Session as the term 'first instance' relates to criminal cases at the High Court and as such there are no fees collected for this type of business nor are there any fines collected.

However, fees are collected for civil cases at the Court of Session (but please note that the term 'first instance' does not apply) and I provide below a breakdown for the years you noted:

Total fee income – Court of Session

2008-09 - £3,836,257

2009-10 - £4,201,972

2010-11 - £4,307,792

I hope the above information is helpful.

A copy of this letter will be placed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre and published on the Scottish Court Service website.

Yours sincerely

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