

E-mails between 26-28 February 2008

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Hi (redacted S.38(1)(B)) that's great.

I attach the following document is this what you require? If not what additional information do you need at this stage: Bank account details, address, board members, minutes of meetings?

Kind regards,

Humza

-----Original Message-----

From: (redacted S.38(1)(B)) [@scotland.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:scotland.gsi.gov.uk) ;(redacted S.38(1)(B))

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:56 PM

To: Yousaf H (Humza)

Subject: RE: Underspent

Hi Humza

I am fine thanks, hope you and Osama had a great time in (redacted S.38(1)(B))

There isn't a template for funding, just set down in a couple of pages what you want to do, why it needs to be done and how much it would cost.

Nothing too elaborate, the main thing is to explain what the costs are made up of.

Hope this is helpful. How's the Islamfest 09 business plan coming along?

Cheers

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

From: Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk [<mailto:Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk>]

Sent: 26 February 2008 14:45

To: (redacted S.38(1)(B))

Subject: Underspent

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Hi (redacted S.38(1)(B))

How are you keeping?

I just arrived back from (redacted S.38(1)(B)) and back to work yesterday. I remember discussing the issue of underspent money with you about which you were very positive. I am just going to write up a proposal now for you in the next couple of

days. Is there a template you might have of what a proposal like this should look like or any advice on exactly what info should be in and how long it should be?

Any advice you have, is always appreciated.

Kind regards,

Humza

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E-mails between 4-6 march 2008

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(redacted S.38(1)(B))
(redacted S.38(1)(B)) I re-attach and copy the application below.

Kind regards,

Humza

-----Original Message-----

From: (redacted S.38(1)(B)) [@scotland.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:scotland.gsi.gov.uk) (redacted S.38(1)(B))

Sent: Thursday, March 06, 2008 11:14 AM

To: Yousaf H (Humza)

Subject: RE: Underspent

Hi Humza

I don't seem to have received it – can't see anything in the inbox. Can you please re-send?

(redacted S.38(1)(B)) so am having to do a bit of catching up today! Hope you are well and had a great time in the (redacted S.38(1)(B))

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Thanks.

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

From: Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk [<mailto:Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk>]

Sent: 04 March 2008 13:38

To: (redacted S.38(1)(B))

Subject: Underspent

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Hi (redacted S.38(1)(B))

Hope you are well?

Did you receive our application for the underspent money that I sent last week okay?
Any initial thoughts on whether it needs to be tweaked or any additional info you think you may need?

Kind regards,

Humza

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E-mails on 18 March 2008

Hi Humza

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

Happy to provide a few extra resources, but you will need to get an application to me very soon as the payments all need to have been processed by 26 March.

I agree the new RR&RI funding stream should be right up your street, and I fully expected you to make an application! I think you should be realistic and not go for the max – many people make that mistake, but as it is early days for SIF as yet it would be obvious that the organisation wasn't ready to move that far so quickly ie 4 or 5 staff. I think something

around £50- 60k a year would be reasonable – you could employ perhaps a full time and a part time person for that, or have a full time person and perhaps employ sessional workers when required for particular activities. Don't want to be prescriptive, it's up to you of course. Even if you apply for more, we may agree a lower amount, so it wouldn't necessarily put you on the 'No' pile if you asked for more!

Always happy to help!

Cheers

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

From: Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk [mailto:Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk]

Sent: 18 March 2008 11:55

To: **(redacted S.38(1)(B))**

Subject: Sorry to bother

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Hi **(redacted S.38(1)(B))**

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

Was just wondering if you could give me more information about VAF Funding - the RRRRI funding stream. It looks like it could be right up our alley, if we were to go for it how much would you recommend we (SIF) go for? I know you've got a million and one things on I just thought I'd get your advice on this one if possible.

I had one more cheeky enquiry. The underspent we received kindly from the Scot Gov't - do you think we would be able to re-apply for an extra few thousand (admin/stationary costs as well as costs linked to our launch at the end of April). Or is the deadline gone.

Again, sorry to bother you.

Hopefully, speak soon.

Humza

Humza Yousaf
Parliamentary Press Officer to Bashir Ahmad MSP
Tel: (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Mob: (redacted S.38(1)(B))

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E-mails between 9-14 April 2008

Hi Humza

Sorry to hear that – you will indeed be missed! – however, I'm sure Osama will, as you say, do a good job updating us on progress.

Hope to catch up with you soon.

Best wishes

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

From: Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk [<mailto:Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk>]

Sent: 14 April 2008 10:58

To: **(redacted S.38(1)(B)); (redacted S.38(1)(B))**

Cc: **(redacted S.38(1)(B))**

Subject: RE: IslamFest

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Hi Folks,

Unfortunately now going to be unable to make Thursday 2pm. Last minute meeting arranged in Parliament by **(redacted S.38(1)(B))** in Parliament with DFM so will have

to be there instead. I am sure Osama will be able to do a good job updating you on progress with IslamFest and SIF, though of course I am in no doubt my presence will be sorely missed :).

Take care,

Humza

-----Original Message-----

From: (redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk (redacted S.38(1)(B))

Sent: Friday, April 11, 2008 2:41 PM

To: (redacted S.38(1)(B)); Yousaf H (Humza)

Cc: (redacted S.38(1)(B)) @scotland.gsi.gov.uk

Subject: RE: IslamFest

Hi Osama

We've got a room booked here, so just ask for me at Reception. You will get a payment directly into the bank account, and it will still be being processed I think. Takes a wee while to set up a new account on the system.

See you next week.

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

From: Osama Saeed; (redacted S.38(1)(B))

Sent: 10 April 2008 16:43

To: (redacted S.38(1)(B)); Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk

Cc: (redacted S.38(1)(B))

Subject: RE: IslamFest

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2pm Thursday is absolutely fine for me.

Venue? I'll be at the seminar about the (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Thereafter I'm flexible.

From: Osama Saeed

Sent: 10 April 2008 16:33

To: (redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk'; 'Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk'

Cc: (redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk'

Subject: RE: IslamFest

Hi (redacted S.38(1)(B)),

Our bank details are amended as attached.

I might be able to do next Thursday too. I'll let you know as I'm just waiting to hear about one other thing I might have to do.

BTW you mentioned in the email below that we should have got a cheque. Would that have been sent out yet, as we haven't received anything?

Thanks,
Osama

From: (redacted S.38(1)(B)) [@scotland.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:(redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk); (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Sent: 09 April 2008 16:08
To: Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk
Cc: (redacted S.38(1)(B)); (redacted S.38(1)(B))[@scotland.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:(redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk)
Subject: RE: IslamFest

Humza

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

Bashir Maan makes sense as a figurehead – particularly as he was the first Muslim councillor in the UK which is pretty astounding and also as convenor of the MCS.

Would next Thursday afternoon, the 17th April be OK to meet? Say 2pm?

Cheers

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

From: Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk [<mailto:Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk>]
Sent: 09 April 2008 15:53
To: (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Cc: (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Subject: RE: IslamFest

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(redacted S.38(1)(B)),

Hope you are keeping well (redacted S.38(1)(B))

The problems we are encountering are with the SIF account (so many signatories, details and forms to be filled in and re-filled in!). we do however have an interim treasurers account which we put on the grant application letter and will transfer the money into the SIF account as soon as we get the details from the bank (will be sure to also forward you the new bank details too). We have had various

group meetings about IslamFest and are in agreement that it is now urgent for us to appoint a project manager , we cannot continue on the part-time ad-hoc basis we have been doing.

The FM also suggested a figurehead for IslamFest someone with community respect and is well known, some thoughts were Bashir Maan or Habib Malik (Islamic Relief), let me know if you can think of others more suited.

Your suggestions and advice on the best way to progress with Islamfest would be most welcome. I am in Edinburgh on Tue-Thur as you know so whatever day suits you.

Kind regards,

Humza

-----Original Message-----

From: (redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk ; (redacted S.38(1)(B))

Sent: Wednesday, April 09, 2008 3:31 PM

To: (redacted S.38(1)(B));Yousaf H (Humza)

Cc: (redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk

Subject: IslamFest

Dear Osama and Humza

Hope you are both well. I gather from (redacted S.38(1)(B))that there was a problem of some sort with the account the Islamfest grant was to be paid into. It would be OK to pay it into the SIF account if there isn't an Islamfest account set up as yet.

It would be good to meet you to discuss how things are progressing. Let me know when would suit you in the next couple of weeks. I guess you won't have paid for the venue yet if you haven't got the cheque paid in, but it would be good to have that done as soon as possible.

Look forward to hearing how you're getting on!

Best wishes

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

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E-mails on 9 April 2008

Nope! See you down here then!

Cheers

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From: Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk
[<mailto:Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk>]
Sent: 09 April 2008 16:19
To: **(redacted S.38(1)(B))**
Subject: RE: IslamFest

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Thursday 17th sounds good. You won't be in parliament by any chance will you? :)
Otherwise I could come to Victoria Quay.

Kindly,

Humza

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From: (redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk ; (redacted S.38(1)(B))

Sent: Wednesday, April 09, 2008 4:08 PM

To: Yousaf H (Humza)

Cc: (redacted S.38(1)(B)); (redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk

Subject: RE: IslamFest

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Best wishes

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E-mails on 28 May 2008

Osama

No, that doesn't look possible at all. That's a pity as she was very keen, but she has engagements over the weekend and then something on the Monday too. I'll go on the Friday however, and (redacted S.38(1)(B)) also plans to attend as well as another colleague, (redacted S.38(1)(B)), although possibly not all on the same day. (redacted S.38(1)(B)) might be keen to go too, I spoke to him the other day about our event and he was very interested.

Yesterday's meeting was the only one when I've had to write down the names of people wanting to speak – so I guess it was the most talkative one!

Best wishes

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

From: (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Sent: 28 May 2008 18:08
To: (redacted S.38(1)(B)); Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk
Cc:
Subject: RE: IslamExpo

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(redacted S.38(1)(B)),

Thanks for your email, and it was certainly a good session this morning. Amazing how people didn't need any prodding from yourself to fill up 2 hours!

The opening event starts at 6pm on the 11th so that doesn't sound too promising for Linda.

Osama

From: (redacted S.38(1)(B)) @scotland.gsi.gov.uk
Sent: 28 May 2008 16:54

To: (redacted S.38(1)(B)); Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk
Cc: (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Subject: IslamExpo

Dear Osama and Humza

Thanks for coming along this morning – hope you found the discussion interesting. I’ve been asked by Linda Fabiani’s office what time the IslamExpo event will start on 11 July. There is a good possibility she could attend in the morning, but she has a family commitment in Scotland later that day, so it would need to be in the earlier part of the morning if possible.

Thanks.

Best wishes

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E-mails between 23 March – 27 May 2008

From: (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Sent: 27 May 2008 14:28
To: (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Cc: Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk
Subject: RE: FM's WTT video

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Dear (redacted S.38(1)(B)) ,

I've been put in touch with you by (redacted S.38(1)(B)) from the Equality Unit. The first Minister did a video message for our 'Weaving the Tartan' Conference on August 5/6th last year. Would you be able to provide me with a copy of this?

Would appreciate it if you could either email me it or post to

Thanks in advance,
Osama

From: (redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk
Sent: 27 May 2008 14:07
To: Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk
Cc: (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Subject: RE: FM's WTT video

Salaam Humza

Hope you are well.

We do not have it here but I would try contacting (redacted S.38(1)(B)) of our VT Unit. He should be able to provide you with a copy.

(redacted S.38(1)(B)) Tel: (redacted S.38(1)(B))

Kind regards

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

From: Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk [<mailto:Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk>]
Sent: 27 May 2008 14:02
To: (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Cc: (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Subject: FW: FM's WTT video

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Hi (redacted S.38(1)(B)),

As per Osama's email below I would be right in saying the video message from FM for 'Weaving the Tartan' held last year cannot be located by you? Do you know of any department that might have it?

Kind regards,

Humza

From: (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Sent: 23 March 2008 15:31
To: 'Humza Yousaf'
Subject: FM's WTT video

Salaam

Have you got a copy of the FM's video for WTT last year? Should stick it up on SIF website.

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E-mails on 24 June 2008

From: Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk [<mailto:Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk>]
Sent: 24 June 2008 16:22
To: (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Cc: (redacted S.38(1)(B))
Subject: RE: Scottish Islamic Foundation Launch

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Hi (redacted S.38(1)(B)),

I have cc-ed Osama Saeed - Chief Executive of SIF into the email he will be able to give you a much better idea of which press will be down and covering the event. In addition, will be able to inform you of a press release we will be sending.

Cheers,

Humza

-----Original Message-----

From: (redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk
Sent: Tuesday, June 24, 2008 4:16 PM
To: Yousaf H (Humza)
Subject: Scottish Islamic Foundation Launch

Hi Humza

(redacted S.38(1)(B)) past me your details. Can you let me know what media arrangements you are planning for Thursday's event, and if you are preparing a news release?

Kind regards

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

Scottish Government Communications

T: (redacted S.38(1)(B))

E: (redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk

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E-mails between 16-17 July 2008

From: (redacted S.38(1)(B))

Sent: 17 July 2008 11:04

To: 'Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk'

Subject: RE: Scottish Islamic Foundation - Funding applications

Thanks Humza

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

From: Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk [<mailto:Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk>]

Sent: 17 July 2008 11:00

To: (redacted S.38(1)(B))

Subject: RE: Scottish Islamic Foundation - Funding applications

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(redacted S.38(1)(B)),

I don't think I have the original email I sent to (redacted S.38(1)(B)) I just kept the application - in hindsight would have been an idea to have kept the whole email.

Kind regards,

Humza

-----Original Message-----

From: (redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk

Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2008 10:43 AM

To: Yousaf H (Humza)

Cc: (redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk

Subject: RE: Scottish Islamic Foundation - Funding applications

Humza

Further to below, would you be able to send us the e-mail that the application was attached to when it was submitted to us?

Happy to discuss.

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

From: (redacted S.38(1)(B))

Sent: 17 July 2008 10:27

To: 'Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk'

Cc: (redacted S.38(1)(B))

Subject: FW: Scottish Islamic Foundation - Funding applications

Humza

Thanks for this. You are right to say the total for those two grants was £15,752. For the avoidance of any doubt our records contain three Grant Acceptance Forms on behalf of the Scottish Islamic Foundation. They were all signed by Osama on 25 March and were for:

- £200,000 which was offered in our grant offer letter of 25 March.
- £5,600 which was offered in our grant offer letter of 25 March – separate letter from the one noted above.
- £10,152 which was offered in our grant offer letter of 10 March.

Thanks for sending in the attached document.

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

From: Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk [mailto:Humza.Yousaf@scottish.parliament.uk]
Sent: 17 July 2008 09:35
To: **(redacted S.38(1)(B))**
Subject: RE: Scottish Islamic Foundation - Funding applications

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Hi **(redacted S.38(1)(B))**,

This is the application I have for the combined total of £15752 - I don't think we received more than this however in your email you put the figure at £16,652. Can you re-check the figure? Osama - how much money was stated in the grant letter minus the 200K for IslamFest?

Kind regards,

Humza

-----Original Message-----

From: **(redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk**
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 1:07 PM
To: Yousaf H (Humza)
Cc: **(redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk**; **(redacted S.38(1)(B))@scotland.gsi.gov.uk**
Subject: Scottish Islamic Foundation - Funding applications

Dear Humza

I hope everything is well with you. As discussed we are currently going through all of the papers in relation to the Scottish Islamic Foundation and are having difficulty finding the applications which were submitted to us on behalf of the Foundation for the two small grants of £10,152 and £6,500. Unfortunately the electronic filing system we use can have difficulty retrieving information and as we are working to a tight timescale on this your assistance would be appreciated. In addition, **(redacted S.38(1)(B))** who you were dealing with directly is on leave at the moment and this is also hindering us. We do have a pdf application from

Osama for the £200,000 for IslamFest. If there are any other papers you think we should have then please forward it on.

Happy to discuss further.

Kind regards

(redacted S.38(1)(B))

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