

Summary of investigation

March – April 2025

Organisation or person investigated

The Lord Gadhia (“Lord Gadhia”)

Matter(s) investigated

Whether Lord Gadhia conducted unregistered consultant lobbying

Registrar’s decision

Based on information and assurances provided, Lord Gadhia has not conducted unregistered consultant lobbying in relation to the matter under investigation.

Summary of rationale for decision

Based on substantive and unequivocal written information provided, Lord Gadhia is not UK VAT registered, he has therefore not conducted unregistered consultant lobbying in relation to the matter under investigation.

Under the Transparency of Lobbying, Non-Party Campaigning and Trade Union Administration Act 2014 (“the Act”), a registrable communication is made by a VAT registered company or individual communicating with a Minister, Permanent Secretary (or equivalent) on behalf of a paying client.

Chronology

Date	Action
20 March	Article in The Guardian regarding Lord Gadhia.
24 March	Formal letter from the Registrar to Lord Gadhia giving background on the requirement for registering and asking if his activities, whether individually or through a company, fall within the criteria to be registered with particular reference to, but not limited to, the meeting of 16 February 2021 cited in The Guardian article of 20 March.
7 April	Email from Lord Gadhia to the Registrar confirming and providing evidence that he is not UK VAT registered.
9 April	Letter from the Registrar concluding his investigation.

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