

Our ref: PJ/1001689

Mr Derek Canning
By E-mail only to:
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10th July 2009

Dear Mr Canning,

Re: Your Internal Review

I write further to your e-mail dated 29th May 2009 in which you have asked the IPCC to conduct an internal review of its original Freedom of Information decision, case reference 1001689 which was conducted by Mr Philip Johnston.

On the 8th May 2009 you requested that the IPCC release the rules governing whether the police have to or have not to investigate serious complaints made by members of the public in relation to criminal activities.

Mr Johnston sent you a decision notice on the 29th May 2009 in which he applied section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act which exempts information which is reasonably accessible by other means. Mr Johnston explained in his letter that the rules are contained within the relevant case law and statute.

I have considered request and the steps taken by Mr Johnston and in doing so I have come to the conclusion that your request is not upheld.

If you are unhappy with this decision you can now contact the Information Commissioners Office:

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Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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Yours Sincerely

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