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Dear Mr Anderson

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NUMBER 0857/2009

I refer to your request for information dated 2 November 2009, which was received by Strathclyde Police on that date. Albeit technically not valid your request has been considered and on 9 November 2009 a decision was made to respond to your request with a suitable explanation.

As I understand it, details of people who have been convicted of serious criminal offences i.e.: murder, Serious sex offences and terrorist acts etc are uploaded to Interpol (and in my opinion rightly so) to allow border security in other countries.

I wish to know if less serious offences are uploaded, for example Breach of the Peace etc.

I also wish to know if a person was found not guilty or acquitted of a minor offence like a Breach of the Peace would this be supplied to Interpol.

Interpol are not routinely informed of any convictions, however serious. Should information be received that a person who may pose a danger to members of the public is intending to travel to a foreign country, any relevant information may be shared with that country via Interpol.

By way of assistance, information on the role of Interpol is available on their website at the following web address;

<http://www.interpol.int/default.asp>

I hope this information is helpful, however, if you are not satisfied with the way in which your request has been dealt with, you are entitled in the first instance to request a review of the decision made by the Force. Should you wish to request such a review, please write to Mrs Sheena Brennan, Disclosure Manager at the above address within 40 working days of receiving this letter.

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Once informed of the Review Panel's decision, if you are still not satisfied, then you are entitled to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months for a decision. Contact details are; Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS, telephone 01334 464610.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Strathclyde Police. Should you require any further assistance concerning this matter please contact me directly on 0141 435 1204 quoting the reference number given.

Yours sincerely

John Cameron
Freedom of Information Officer