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Dear Mr Walker

FOI Reference No : FOI-20093/48066

Thank you for your email dated and received by my office on the 03 Nov 2009. You have requested the following information under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Police Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/527), and having complied with the requirements of regulation 46, has determined that, with effect from 1st January 2005, there shall be inserted before Annex A of the Determinations under the Police Regulations 2003 the following Annex:

ANNEX AA Regulation 6 Schedule 1

RESTRICTIONS ON THE PRIVATE LIFE OF MEMBERS OF POLICE FORCES

No member of a police force may be a member of any of the following organisations-

- a) the British National Party;
- b) Combat 18;
- c) the National Front.

I would like to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act

1. Prior to 1st January 2005 had any members of your Police Force been disciplined in connection with membership of:-

- a) the British National Party;
- b) Combat 18; or
- c) the National Front

Please provide details of how many and the outcomes of such disciplinary procedures if any.

2. After 1st January 2005 have any members of your Police Force been disciplined in connection with membership of:-

- a) the British National Party;
- b) Combat 18; or
- c) the National Front

Please provide details of how many and the outcomes of such disciplinary procedures if any.

3. After 1st January 2005 did you review the Human Rights implications of the restriction? Please supply minutes and other documentation relating to such a review.

4. The restriction relates to membership. Do you consider that there is any restriction on a member of your Police Force:-

- a) donating to the British National Party

- b) subscribing to a British National Party publication
- c) purchasing goods from the British National Party
- d) signing a petition in favour of the British National Party
- e) signing a nomination form for a British National Party candidate

Your request will now be considered and you will receive a response within the statutory timescale of 20 working days as defined by the Act, subject to the information not being exempt or containing a reference to a third party. In some circumstances West Yorkshire Police may be unable to achieve this deadline. If this is likely you will be informed and given a revised time-scale at the earliest opportunity.

In exceptional circumstances, there may be a fee payable for the retrieval, collation and provision of the information you have requested. If this is the case you will be informed and the 20 working day timescale will be suspended until we receive payment from you. If you chose not to make a payment then your request will remain unanswered.

Yours sincerely

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The information supplied in connection with this application will be used for the purpose of the administering of this request and to ensure the accuracy of Police systems.