

ANNEX A

SECTION 22

Section 22 Information is exempt information if

- (a) the information is held by the public authority with a view to its publication, by the authority or any other person, at some future date (whether determined or not),*
- (b) the information was already held with a view to such publication at the time when the request for information was made, and*
- (c) it is reasonable in all the circumstances that the information should be withheld from disclosure until the date referred to in paragraph (a).*

| <i>Factors for disclosure</i> | <i>Factors for withholding</i> |
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| That there is a transparency in the accountability of public funds That there is proper scrutiny of Government actions | The results of the 2009/10 annual Traceability Survey will be published in line with the Agency's publication scheme in the next two months. |
| Reasons why public favours withholding information | |
| The public interest in permitting public authorities to publish information in a manner and form and at a time of their own choosing is important. It is a part of the effective conduct of public affairs that the general publication of information is a conveniently planned and managed activity within the reasonable control of public authorities. The decision to publish has been taken and public authorities have a reasonable entitlement to make their own arrangements to do so. | |