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Mr. Derek Canning
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Our Ref: **CR 14451**
Date: **22nd April 2010**

Dear Mr. Canning,

I write in response to your email of the 23rd March 2010 in regards to your request for the following information:

Why the police are not prosecuting Shorrock for his crimes especially in relation to the Chris Marshall case now that three judges three court case have clearly stated that Shorrock has committed criminal damage and is a burglar as he had no right to be on Chris Marshall's property and when asked to leave by Chris Marshall he refused.

Furthermore, do you hold any more information on why Hampshire Police are paying for the judgement against Shorrock with public in spite of the fact that a number of judges have said that the police are not liable but Shorrock is.

Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. We can now provide you with a substantive response to your request.

We have carried out a thorough search and we have established that the Home Office does not hold the information which you have requested.

In regards to your comments about wanting the Home Office to investigate the Independent Police Complaints Commission (IPCC), the IPCC is the statutory guardian of the police complaints system and as such holds sole ownership of the police complaints system and the investigations that it undertakes. The IPCC is an independent body that is operationally independent of both police and the Home Office. This means that Home Office has no power to intervene in the IPCC's operations or influence their decisions, which can only be overturned in the courts through a process of judicial review.

The IPCCs work is scrutinised by Parliament through the Public Accounts Committee and the Home Affairs Select Committee. The IPCC regularly publish their investigation reports, annual report, research studies, and complaint statistics in the public domain via their website www.ipcc.gov.uk

The IPCC is not overseen by an Ombudsman, but if a member of the public wishes to make a complaint about the IPCC, they can do so to their Internal Complaints Manager by contacting internal.complaints.unit@ipcc.gsi.gov.uk

If you are dissatisfied with this response you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to the address below, quoting reference CR14451.

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Alternatively you can e-mail: info.access@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk

As part of any internal review the Department's handling of your information request will be reassessed by staff who were not involved in providing you with this response. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

If you remain dissatisfied after this internal review, you would have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act.

Yours sincerely,



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