



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

REQUEST NUMBER: F-2010-01418

REQUEST DETAILS:

“There are however various technologies other than the old polygraph which can be used to quantify a persons assertion that what they are saying is true. Below are three examples.

NITV for example is one of the leaders in voice stress analysis. This can be used covertly to record and analyse someone’s voice for lies. There are various competitors; cheaper versions are eve available for new generation of phones such as the Iphone. Below is the website.

<http://www.cvsa1.com/>

EEG-Electroencephalography is used to detect changes in brain waves. The article below shows a journalist being tested. Such technology could be available for the average consumer through companies such as’ Emotive gaming’ [<http://www.wired.com/wiredscience/2009/03/noliemri/>
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- 1. Legal in Britain?*
- 2. Admissible in court?*
- 3. If not why not?”*

RESPONSE:

Suffolk Constabulary has considered your request for information and our response is below.

Suffolk Constabulary can confirm the uses of lie detectors are not admissible in a court of law.



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We do not hold any information in relation to this technology and have no authority to explain why they are not admissible in a court of law; Suffolk Constabulary cannot therefore answer your remaining questions.

We would however suggest that you contact the Ministry of Justice who may be able to assist you in this matter.

Please find below a web-link, which will direct you to the Ministry of Justice:

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/>