

Harriet Bradley

Private Secretary to Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Constabulary

Mr Neil Scott

By email:

22nd March 2012

Dear Mr Scott

Thank you for your further e-mail of 23 February 2012, in which you ask for information regarding Cleveland Police. Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Our records show that you have already written to us on 31 January (3), 2nd February (3) and 7 February (1) requesting substantially similar information on the following

- 1. You make a number of allegations relating to Cleveland Police, specific police officers and an individual (Ray Mallon) and you ask that HMIC investigate these allegations;*
- 2. You ask whether HMIC would investigate complaints against Cleveland Police;*
- 3. You ask whether HMIC would consider cases for review as criminal investigations;*
- 4. You ask about evidence and events relating to a specific investigation undertaken by Cleveland Police and the subsequent trial;*
- 5. You request CCTV footage from Cleveland Police Station.*

We sent you a reply to these requests on 10 February. We do not believe that a reasonable interval has passed since you made your first request and we are therefore not obliged to comply with your request, under section 14(2) of the Act. This is because we have provided a comprehensive reply explaining that HMIC does not have a remit to intervene or investigate individual cases. As is the requirement under the FOI Act HMIC has provided you with the necessary information in order to assist and direct you to the relevant department.

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 FOI 2012-08 ScottN. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

Chief Operating Officer

HMIC

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London

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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 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,

Harriet Bradley

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cc HMIC Northern Region