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13 October 2009

Dear Mr Hancocks

Freedom of Information request 09/1390

Thank you for your request for information of 14 September 2009 (17:41). You asked that:

Please release the minutes for the above meeting. Please release copies of any handouts or presentations given.

I also have some specific questions regarding the agenda items below:

1. Introductions

How many people were present? Which government departments or organisations were they representatives for?

2. Clarifying our understanding of Phorm- what it does, how it works, what are the relationships between Phorm, ISPs, web-sites and users, etc?

Who presented this item on the agenda?

3. Discuss the allocation of work between BERR, the Home Office, MOJ and ICO.

What tasks were to be carried out by the departments concerned and what decisions were made about where the work would be allocated?

4. Legal Questions- what are the community obligations, how are they implemented and complied with, etc?

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Please confirm what community obligations were discussed in the meeting and the decisions in the meeting regarding compliance.

5. Timing- skeleton answers by 11 August; full answers by 18 August.

What were the questions being answered? To whom were the questions directed and what answers were given?

6. A.O.B

What other business was discussed?

I am writing to confirm that the Department has now completed its search for the information you requested on 14 September 2009 (17:41). A copy of the information which can be disclosed is enclosed. Personal information has been redacted under Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely



Patrick Balchin

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Subject: Action points to Phorm

Dear All cc [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

A gentle reminder about the agreed deadline of 12 August and the agreed action points.

Q1- BERR legal to answer in the form of a transposition table; MoJ to confirm accuracy re implementation of directive 95/46/EC.

Q2- HO/MoJ and BERR to explain regulatory framework regarding their respective responsibilities.

Q3- ICO to describe investigation of past BT trial. HO to supply information regarding criminal investigation(s) (if available).

Q4 -falls on BERR and HO with input from MoJ given their remit for the implementation of Directive 95/46/EC.

Q5- ICO to answer in terms of how ISPs will seek individuals' consent in a way which complies with the directives. **(Action Completed)**

Deadline:

12 August - First draft of answers to all questions to be sent into BERR and circulated for comments.

22 August - Final draft of answers to all questions to be sent into BERR and circulated for comments.

28 August - Final draft to be sent to [REDACTED] at Cabinet Office for [REDACTED] assessment of whether the draft meets the Commission's requirements.

1 September - submission up to BERR Minister (Shriti Vadera).

11 September - deadline date for submission of answers to Commission. A misunderstanding arose at our meeting yesterday. The actual deadline for response back to the Commission is 11 September, not 19 September. However, we will still keep to our agreed deadlines and we will present Shriti Vadera with a submission on 1 September.

Many Thanks

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