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Dear Mr Maxwell,

Freedom of Information request (our reference: 60070)

I am writing in response to your e-mail dated 28 October. This has been handled as an internal review (Time Complaint) pertaining to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) dated 25 August.

I have now completed the review; Section 10(1) of the FOIA requires that the Home Office should have informed you whether the information you requested was held, and if appropriate, have provided it to you within 20 working days of your request being received. Section 10(3) of the FOIA requires that the Home Office should have informed you within this 20 working day period if additional time was required to consider the public interest considerations affecting the information you have requested. Our records show the latter of these actions was carried out in this instance, but regrettably the revised target date was not met either.

I would like to apologise on behalf of the Department for the length of time which it is taking to provide you with a substantive response to your request. The policy area has been informed of your concerns and I can confirm that your request remains under active consideration. Whilst I cannot provide a precise date as to when you will receive a response, the policy area will reply just as soon as it possibly can.

I can understand your frustration over the continuing delay; your patience is very much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

P. Zebedee
Information Rights Team