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Dear Ms. Jones,

Thank you for your email dated 14 January to the Civil Service Commission, which requested the following information:

- *What actions has the civil service commission taken since the programmes to ensure that civil servants such as Maria Strizzolo do not commit treason by working for foreign powers?*
- *What meetings have the civil service commission scheduled to discuss these matters?*
- *How many civil servants are members of Israeli related lobby groups?*
- *What declarations do civil servants have to make which would relate to these type of incidents ie treason, working only for Britain, conspiring on behalf of foreign powers, etc*
- *Involved are the Friends of Israel in Labour and Conservatives. Are civil servants allowed to be members of these groups?*
- *Was Maria Strizzolo sacked or did she resign as a member of the civil service. What dates did she serve in the civil service?*

I am dealing with this request under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act).

The Civil Service Commission regulates external recruitment into the Civil Service and helps to promote the Civil Service values of honesty, integrity, objectivity and impartiality. We also hear complaints under the Civil Service Code. The Commission is independent of Government and the Civil Service.

The Commission does not hold the information you have requested and it is not within our remit to take action in respect of the matter you refer to. However, the

Propriety and Ethics unit, within Cabinet Office, may be able to provide some of the information you have requested. You can make an online Freedom of Information request at the following address: <https://www.gov.uk/contact/foi>

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request or wish to request an internal review, you should write to:

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You should note that the Civil Service Commission will not normally accept an application for internal review if it is received more than two months after the date that the reply was issued.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Civil Service Commission. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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Yours sincerely,

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