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Confirmation of whether and when the Conduct Committee report into Lord Ahmed will become publicly accessible

Request:

I understand that your conduct committee in late November 2020 recommended the expulsion of Nazir Ahmed on the grounds that he breached the House's code of conduct.

I understand there may be a report regarding this, that I believe has not currently been released for legal reasons. I understand there may be a pending criminal case.

I am writing to request confirmation of whether this report will become publicly accessible once any criminal proceedings are completed and to ask when that is likely to be?

Response:

The Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the FOIA") provides a right of access, subject to specified exemptions, to recorded information held by a public authority. In the case of the House of Lords, the rights of access apply to recorded information held by the House of Lords Administration.

The House Administration holds this information. The report is already publicly available. It was published on 17 November 2020 and can be found via the link below.

https://committees.parliament.uk/committee/402/conduct-committee/news/130536/the-house-of-lords-conduct-committee-has-today-published-a-report-on-the-conduct-of-lord-ahmed/