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Dear Mr Wilding

I am writing again following your Freedom of Information request received on 10 May. You asked for:-

Provide any memorandums of understanding agreed with the Home Office in relation to data sharing since 1 January 2012.

DWP response

You will already be aware from my previous letter that we do hold information falling within the terms of your request; however we need more time to consider your request.

I am writing to advise you that the time limit for responding to your request for information needs to be extended again as the following exemption applies to the information you have requested:

Section 31 – Law enforcement

By virtue of section 10(3), where public authorities have to consider the balance of the public interest in relation to a request, they do not have to comply with the request until such a time as is reasonable in the circumstances.

The Department has not yet reached a decision on the balance of the public interest. Due to the need to consider, in all the circumstances of the case, where the balance of the public interest lies in relation to the information that you have requested, the Department will not be able to respond to your request in full within 20 working days. It is likely that we will respond sooner than the 20 working days but I hope to let you have a response by 9 July at the latest.

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

Yours,

DWP Digital, Parliamentary Business Focal Point

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not happy with this response you can ask for an internal review by e-mailing freedom-of-information-request@dpw.gsi.gov.uk or by writing to DWP, Central Fol Team, Caxton House, Tothill Street, SW1H 9NA. Any review request should be sent within two months of the date of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of an internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision. Generally the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own complaints procedure. The ICO can be contacted at: Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us or telephone 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545745