

By email only to: [request-563213-adea2054@whatdotheyknow.com](mailto:request-563213-adea2054@whatdotheyknow.com)

16 April 2019

Dear Teuta Hoxha

**Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“the Act”)**

**Your request**

We received your information request on 20 March 2019 and have treated it as a request for information made under section 1(1) of the Act.

You requested the following information:

1. Were student [sic] profiled in the run up to Tuesday 19th March 2019 (the same day King's expected visits from the royals)
2. Were a select number of student ID cards deactivated? If so how many and why?
3. Were these students deemed a potential security threat?
5. Were said students profiled based on their affiliation to certain activist societies at King's?
6. Were their names sent over to the police?
7. Did the Met police advise King's College London to deactivate said students' ID cards or take extra security measures involving keeping these students off campus?

**Our response**

We can neither confirm nor deny whether this information is held by the university. The university has commissioned an independent review of the 19 March event and intends to publish its findings once the review has concluded. Under section 22(2) of the Act, our duty to confirm or deny whether information is held does not arise if doing so would disclose information that is intended for future publication (section 22(1) of the Act).

Publishing any information before the independent review has concluded could distort opinions and create bias amongst those providing information to the review and jeopardise the process. This would also prevent publication in a logical and planned manner.

Whilst we recognise there is a public interest in disclosing information concerning how access to campus buildings was affected by security arrangements for the opening of Bush House, and the justifications for those arrangements, we consider that there is a greater public interest in ensuring that those taking part in the review are allowed to do so fairly, and that the availability of the review's findings are managed in a consistent way.

This completes the university's response to your information request.

### **Your right to complain**

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your information request or feel that it has not been properly handled you have the right to complain or request a review of our decision by contacting the Assistant Director of Business Assurance (Information Compliance) within 60 days of the date of this letter.

Further information about our internal complaints procedure is available at the link below:

[http://www.kcl.ac.uk/college/policyzone/assets/files/governance\\_and\\_legal/Freedom\\_of\\_Information\\_Policy\\_updated\\_Oct\\_20202011.pdf](http://www.kcl.ac.uk/college/policyzone/assets/files/governance_and_legal/Freedom_of_Information_Policy_updated_Oct_20202011.pdf)

In the event that you are not content with the outcome of your complaint you may apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the internal complaints procedure provided by King's College London.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

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Information Compliance