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Dear Dr Stevenson

I write in connection with the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request submitted on 20 August 2013. Thames Valley Police has now considered this request, which for clarity, has been repeated below:

<u>Request</u>	<u>Response</u>
<p>1) Do your records and documents relating to the investigation into the death of Dr Kelly include any diagrams, sketches, computer images or other pictorial representation of, or relating to, the scene of Dr Kelly's death?</p> <p>2) If any such images are recorded, please could you release these records?</p>	<p>1 and 2) Thames Valley Police can confirm that it holds the requested information, but cannot supply it in accordance with the following exemption:</p> <p>Section 30(1)(a): Investigations & Proceedings</p> <p>Thames Valley Police considers that any images, initially recorded, were in the context of an investigation into an unexplained death. Disclosure of any information at this stage, now the case is closed, would merely encourage further conspiracy theories which may disrupt police activity in the future.</p> <p>Thames Valley Police acknowledges the general value of transparency in disclosing information. However, it considers that the vast amount of data already available with regards to the death of Dr Kelly and the fact that the case is now closed and over 10 years old, reduces significantly any</p>



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	<p>public interest in disclosure. Conversely, it is not in the public interest to disclose information if to do so may disrupt our investigatory practices or undermine legal issues which have already been thoroughly debated and concluded.</p> <p>On balance, we have therefore concluded that Section 30 is engaged in this instance.</p>
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It should additionally be noted that Thames Valley Police may consider any further requests on this subject matter under Section 14.

Complaint Rights

If you are dissatisfied with the handling procedures or the decision made by Thames Valley Police, you can lodge a complaint with the force to have the decision reviewed within two months of the date of this response. Complaints should be made in writing to the FOI inbox; publicaccess@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk.

If, after lodging a complaint with Thames Valley Police, you are still unhappy with the outcome, you may make application to the Information Commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Please contact me quoting the above reference number if you would like to discuss this matter further.

If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact this unit.

Yours sincerely

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