DWP Central Freedom of Information Team

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Our Ref: FOI 3527

8 December 2011

Dear Mr McLean,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request of 23 November. Your request was:

Please can you send me a copy of the Department of Work & Pensions (DWP) Risk Analysis Report into the £20 Billion to £200 Billion CONTINGENT LIABILITY that now attaches to the DWP and HM Treasury as a result of the diabolical mess the current DWP Welfare Reform is in?

Please also confirm that you have notified HM Treasury that lawyers are already preparing caseload against the DWP given the documented allegations from numerous sources of the 15-DWP-Death-Toll, and related near-mental-torture endured by thousands through the current dysfunctional and discredited DWP WCA system?

The Department does not accept the premise of your request. The Work Capability Assessment was designed in close consultation with experts and disability organisations and was subject to the appropriate legislative process as part of the Welfare Reform Bill 2007. Since its introduction, the Department has continued to review, evaluate and refine the WCA as per its statutory obligations.

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

Yours sincerely,	
DWP Central Fol Team	

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not happy with this response you may request an internal review by e-mailing <u>freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gsi.gov.uk</u> or by writing to DWP, Central Fol Team, 5th Floor The Adelphi, 1-11, John Adam Street, London WC2N 6HT. Any review request should be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have

exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF www.ico.gov.uk