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Dear Mr Pearsall,

**Freedom of Information request (our reference: 28377)**

I am writing in response to your e-mail of 20 August 2013, in which you stated that you have not received a response to your Freedom of Information (FOI) request of 1 May 2013. As part of our internal process, we are treating your email as a request for an internal review.

I have now completed the review. I confirm that I have not previously been involved in the handling of your request.

Section 10(1) of the FOI Act requires that the Home Office should have informed you whether the information you requested was held, and if appropriate, have provided it to you within 20 working days of your request being received. Section 10(3) of the FOI Act requires that the Home Office should have informed you within this 20 working day period if additional time was required to consider the public interest considerations affecting the information you have requested. It is clear to me that neither of these conditions were met.

I understand that a response to your request has now been provided to you. This was sent to you on 20 August 2013. I would like to apologise on behalf of the Department for failing to respond within the time limit.

Yours sincerely,

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