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Dear Mr Lander

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 5 February. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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Your request for information was as follows:

Please could you provide me with a list of all potential employer names and the volumes of paper / online applications submitted in 2020.

Response

The Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) helps employers make safer recruitment decisions each year by processing and issuing DBS checks for England, Wales, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man. DBS also maintains the adults' and children's Barred Lists and makes considered safeguarding decisions as to whether an individual should be included on one or both of these lists and barred from engaging in regulated activity.

The information you have requested is provided in the Excel spreadsheet attached in the main body of this email

Please note:

The data provided shows Disclosures received between -1/01/2020 and 31/12/2020 grouped by the "**Potential** Employer Name" that was provided on the application form.

The data only shows "**Potential** Employer Name" information where the same Potential Employer Name was used 50 times or more during the time period.

There is no paper route for Basic applications.

The data provided is to answer this specific enquiry and should not be compared to any other data previously released.

I hope you find this information of assistance.

Your right to request an internal review under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are dissatisfied our handling of your Freedom of Information request you may request an internal review by e-mailing dbsfoi@dbs.gsi.gov.uk or by writing to Freedom of

Information Manager, Disclosure and Barring Service, PO Box 165, L69 3JD. You should submit any request for review within two months of the date of this letter.

The Disclosure and Barring Service will aim to respond to your request for a review within 20 working days and in any case no longer than 40 working days.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office. Generally the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own internal complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF www.ico.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

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