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Dear Mr O'Sullivan

Freedom of Information Request – FOI2022/00190

Further to my letter dated 31 March 2022, I refer to your recent request for information which I am dealing with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("FOIA"), as set out below:

"I ask the POL to disclose documents concerning the terms of engagement/reference for Peters and Peters to carry out the review of post-conviction disclosure review.

What exactly did the POL ask Peters and Peters to do when performing the a post-conviction review?

Also, who were the executives asking for this information, why did they require/need the review and to whom at POL or anyone else were the results given?

As the POL is expected to act with transparency and candour, who "deemed it irrelevant" not to capture the ethnicity data? Was it the POL or P and P or someone else?

Please identify the people involved in the "deemed irrelevant" decision process.

Finally, I would ask that you review the financial reasoning that you gave for not providing the information that I seek.

The sums mentioned to extract the data seem very small indeed given the time and money being spent in engaging P and P in all aspects of this scandal".

As it is our view that your request falls within the scope of certain qualified exemptions under FOIA, we extended your request to consider the public interest test. We are still considering the public interest test and as permitted by section 10 FOIA, Post Office requires further time to carry out this exercise in relation to these exemptions. In accordance with paragraphs 4.6 and 4.7 of the Code of Practice, Post Office considers that a further extension of 20 working days is appropriate in this instance and will therefore aim to respond to you by 31 May 2022.

Yours sincerely,

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