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Dear Mr John

Freedom of Information request: Reference 44162

I am writing in response to your e-mail dated 19 August 2017 in which you asked for an internal review of the time taken to respond to your Freedom of Information (FoI) request of 05 June 2017.

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. It is clear to me that this condition was not met.

I apologise on behalf of the department for the length of time which it is taking to provide you with a response to your request. The policy unit has been informed of your concerns and I can confirm that your request is under active consideration and is being treated as a matter of priority. A response is being drafted and will be sent to you in due course.

Yours sincerely,

Jason Douglas Information Rights Team

