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Dear Sir or Madam

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request – 200828025

Thank you for your request dated 28 August for an Internal Review of FOI 200803019 in which you asked for the following information from the Ministry of Justice (MoJ):

- 1. HMCTS' Annual Report and Accounts for the year 2017-2018 refer to receiving three reports of bribery and corruption during 2017-2018, of which two were referred to the Police for consideration of a criminal prosecution and that a full thematic review of the process relating to the third referral is being undertaken. No mention of the outcome of this full thematic review is contained in the Annual Report for 2018-2019?**
- 2. Please provide details of the outcome of the two complaints referred to the Police/CPS and details of any sentence passed and/or fines regarding the criminal prosecutions.**
- 3. Please provide the details/outcome of the full thematic review relating to the third report.**
- 4. Please provide the Notes of any meeting(s) this thematic review was discussed at HMCTS Board level.**
- 5. Please provide details if any employees of HMCTS were disciplined and /or dismissed as a result of the three reports of bribery and corruption and the Department(s) they were employed in.**
- 6. Please confirm the total number of complaints/reports HMCTS received for bribery and corruption for the years 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 and any action taken.**

Your request is being handled under the FOIA.

A review is currently being conducted and a response will be issued to you in due course.

The MoJ aims to provide you with a response within 20 working days, in accordance with the Information Commissioner's Office's recommendation.

However, in view of the current public health situation, and its possible effect on resources and priorities, we may not be able to reply to you by this date; if this will be the case we will write to you nearer the time with an update.

If you have any queries regarding this Internal Review please do not hesitate to contact the above address quoting the reference number **200828025** in all correspondence.

Yours sincerely

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