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29 March 2018

Dear Mr Evans,

## Freedom of Information request (reference: 47713)

Thank you for your email of 12 March 2018, in which you requested an electronic copy of all email correspondence received and sent by a Miss Ann Ridley. Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is set out in full in the **Annex** of this letter.

We neither confirm nor deny whether we hold the information you requested. Section 40(5) of the Freedom of Information Act absolves us from the requirement to say whether or not we hold information, where to do so would contravene any of the data protection principles in Schedule 1 to the Data Protection Act 1998. This is an absolute exemption.

If you are dissatisfied with this response you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to the address below, quoting reference **47713.** If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

Information Rights Team Home Office Lower Ground Floor, Seacole Building 2 Marsham Street London SW1P 4DF

E-mail: foirequests@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk

As part of any internal review the Department's handling of your information request will be reassessed by staff who were not involved in providing you with this response. If you remain dissatisfied after this internal review, you would have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act.

Yours sincerely



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## Annex

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST 47713**

Dear Home Office,

Under FOI please can you provide an electronic copy, including attachments, of all email correspondence, received and sent by <a href="mailto:ann.ridley@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk">ann.ridley@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk</a>, including carbon copy CC and blind carbon copy BCC functions - not just To and From within the last 6 months where either the e-mail subject or content contains both the words "Contaminated" & "Blood".

I would like to receive such email messages converted to PDF.

If redactions are made subject to the FOIA, please ensure such redactions are clearly visible in black-block, highlighting the FOI exemption clause/sub-clause under which such redactions have been made.

Note: It is a is a criminal offence to make any changes or deletions as a result of this request as per Section 77 of the FOIA.

Yours faithfully,

JJ Evans