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Dear Mr Reynolds

Re: Your Request for Information

Thank you for your email received in this office on 20 December 2012 regarding your request for information.

I note that you have requested "In light of Andrew Mitchell's recent experience with Police Officers manipulating evidence, do the IPCC keep statistical data on how often complaints are made that Police lied or falsified data, and if not why not?"

I can confirm that the IPCC holds this information. The information is exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, because the information is already accessible to you in the public domain. Section 21 states;

21 – (1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under Section 1 is exempt information.

(2) Information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate (otherwise than by making the information available for inspection) to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment)

You can locate the information you have requested at the following web address: www.ipcc.gov.uk/en/Pages/ipccguidelines-papers.aspx. The Corruption Report Part 2 details public and police complaints about Police corruption. It also includes statistics which detail the number of corruption allegations recorded 2008/9 to 2010/11 regarding "Irregularity in relation to evidence/perjury".

If you are not satisfied with this response you may request an independent internal review by our FOI appeals officer, who has had no involvement in dealing with your request. If you wish to complain about any aspect of this decision, please contact:

Amanda Kelly Director of Business Services Independent Police Complaints Commission 90 High Holborn London WC1V 6BH

All emails requesting a review should be sent directly to: amanda.kelly@ipcc.gsi.gov.uk

Should you remain dissatisfied after this internal review, you will have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner; however, I should point out that under section 50(2)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act, you are normally obliged to exhaust the IPCC's own internal complaint mechanism before complaining to the Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

A Davies

S&Q Support Officer