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4 February 2016

Ms Corin Tentchoff

Via Email

Dear Ms Tentchoff

**INTERNAL REVIEW OF FOI REQUEST REF: 1209-15**

You requested an internal review of the decision, conveyed to you in an email of 8 January, not to disclose the identities of two participants at a meeting of the International Contact Group on Freedom of Religion or Belief (ICGFRB) on 17 June 2015 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the Act").

I have conducted a full examination of all the material, both released and exempted, of relevance to your request. I have concluded the following.

**Use of exemptions**

The document released had been sent to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office by the Canadian Foreign Ministry (Office of International Religious Freedom). The Ministry gave its consent to the release of the document but requested that we redact it before doing so. The redactions made to the document before releasing it to you were therefore those requested by the Canadians. To ignore that request would have been prejudicial to our relations with Canada and other members of the Contact Group.

If you are not content with the outcome of this Internal Review you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely,

*Steven Fisher*

Deputy Head  
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