

Christine Pease

3 May 2017

Dear Ms Pease

REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002 (FOISA)

Thank you for your request dated 31 March 2017 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA).

Your request

You asked for the following:

'How many people work for your organisation.

How many of these people will be authorised by warrant to conduct interception, equipment interference (hacking to obtain information) or bulk communications data acquisition under the Investigatory Powers Act 2016

How many warrants have been applied for under the Investigatory Powers Act 2016?

How many warrants were granted?

How many investigations has your organisation carried out so far under the Investigatory Powers Act 2016 and what were they for?'

Response to your request

We currently have 179 people employed by Food Standards Scotland.

For the other questions you have asked, in this instance Food Standards Scotland does not hold that information.

Your right to request a review

If you are unhappy with this response to your FOI request, you may ask us to carry out an internal review of the response, by writing to Mr Geoff Ogle, Chief Executive, Food Standards Scotland, 4th floor, Pilgrim House, Aberdeen AB11 5RL, email openness@fss.scot. Your review request should explain why you are dissatisfied with this response, and should be made within 40 working days from the date when you received this letter. We will complete the review

and tell you the result, within 20 working days from the date when we receive your review request.

If you are not satisfied with the result of the review, you then have the right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner. More detailed information on your rights is available on the Commissioner's website at: www.itspubliknowledge.info.

Yours sincerely

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