



## Foreign & Commonwealth Office

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Dear Ric Lander

### **Your Freedom Of Information Request: 0596-12**

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 25 May 2012. In your request you asked for;

*“an excel spreadsheet (NOT pdf) list of all FOI requests you have had since from 29 July 2010 to the present. For each FOI request, please list:*

*date of request*

*date of reply*

*reference number/ID*

*subject/title of the request [each request on the list should include the subject/title of the request]*

*status [whether information was fully released, partially released or withheld]”*

I can confirm that the Foreign and Commonwealth Office does hold information falling within the terms of your request.

The FOI Act obliges us to respond to requests promptly, and in any case no later than 20 working days after receiving your request. However, when a qualified exemption applies to the information and the public interest test is engaged, the Act allows the time for response to be longer than 20 working days, and a full response must be provided within such time as is reasonable in all circumstances of the case. We do, of course, aim to make all decisions within 20 working days, including in cases where we need to consider where the public interest lies in respect of a request for exempt information. In this case, however, we have not yet reached a decision on where the balance of the public interest lies.

In your case we estimate that it will take an additional 20 days to take a decision on where

the balance of the public interest lies Therefore, we plan to let you have a response by 24 July 2012. If it appears that it will take longer than this to reach a conclusion, we will keep you informed.

The specific exemption which applies in relation to your request is: Section 27 International Relations.

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If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may then apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the FCO. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Please contact me if you have any queries about this letter.

Yours sincerely,

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