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(by e-mail only)

Dear Mr Nunn,

REVIEW OF REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Thank you for your email of 7 January 2009 requesting an internal review of the handling of your request of 3 December 2008 by the Office of the Prime Minister in relation to the following information:

- how many names/signatures your office has removed from approved petitions;
- the reasons for their removal;
- the url of the petitions that names/signatures have been removed from.

I am very sorry for the delay in replying.

I am satisfied that the reply provided to you under the Freedom of Information Act correctly advised you as to the reasons why this information could not be provided within the appropriate cost limit, which is set at £600 for central Government.

Outside the Freedom of Information Act it might be helpful if I explain that the Cabinet Office reserves the right to remove signatures from e-petitions that consist of anything more than a name.

If you are unhappy with the handling of your request for information 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

Yours sincerely,

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