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**Your ref:**  
**Our ref: 20181108 FOI C-488004**

**Date: 08 November 2018**

Dear Mr Fantom

**Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act').**

Thank you for your information request and I write to confirm that we have now been able to consider the request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act').

The information requested and our response is set out below:

**What were the specific grounds by which the Campaign Against Antisemitism was given dispensation by the Charity Commission from publishing the names of its trustees, as stated by the Charity Commission in response to Freedom of Information Request '1163790 - Campaign Against Antisemitism' ([https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/1163790\\_campaign\\_against\\_antisem](https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/1163790_campaign_against_antisem)).**

**In the Charity Commission's response, they state that they consider the information confidential, because it "refers to information obtained from other parties and if disclosed, there is likely to be an actionable breach of confidence".**

**I am asking for information which would explain how a list of names of trustees would disclose information obtained from other parties.**

In our previous response (linked above), we cited Section 41(Information provided in confidence) of the Act as the principle exemption into which information in your request falls. This exemption covers information provided to the Commission which is subject to confidentiality undertakings given by the Commission.

Where we have granted a dispensation under Regulation 40(4) to permit trustees to withhold details of a charity's address, or the names of trustees or persons or bodies entitled to appoint trustees, all references to this information should be expunged from the statement of accounts and governing documents.

In awarding a dispensation we must 'be satisfied' with the statement given by the trustees for justifying the withholding details of each individual who was a trustee during the year reported or is a trustee as at the date of approving the report and accounts or the principal address of the charity.

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Further information about the dispensation process can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/addresses-and-trustee-names-in-your-charitys-public-details>

The Commission is therefore satisfied that the exemptions relied on for the information requested still stand and as such, no further information is available in response.

If you think our decision is wrong, you can ask for it to be reviewed. Such requests should be submitted within three months of the date of our response and should be addressed to the Charity Commission at PO Box 211, Bootle, L20 7YX (email: [RIGA@charitycommission.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:RIGA@charitycommission.gsi.gov.uk)). More information about our Freedom of Information Act review service can be found on the following link on our website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/charity-commission/about/complaints-procedure>.

If, after this, you remain unhappy with the decision, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our review procedure. The ICO can be contacted at the Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF (email: [casework@ico.org.uk](mailto:casework@ico.org.uk).)

Yours sincerely

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