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Dear Ms Burnett,

Re: Freedom of Information request – 56879

Thank you for your email of 12 December 2019, in which you ask:

- 1. Please provide a list of other teams within Local Authorities which OSIOs assist, and other departments within Local Authorities OSIOs are placed, including the names of the Local Authorities.*
- 2. Please provide a list of which NHS Trusts healthcare facilities (including but not limited to hospitals, GPs, physiotherapists, social workers, specialist health centres, hospices) have OSIOs and the names of the teams in which they are located.*
- 3. Please provide a list of all other teams and departments of public services in which OSIOs are placed.*
- 4. Please provide a list of private sector companies in which OSIOs are placed.*
- 5. For points 1, 2, 3 and 4 please provide all documentation (including but not restricted to contracts, protocols, procedures, policies, Memorandum of Understanding or guidance) concerning these placements.*
- 6. Please provide an estimate of the number of OSIOs currently employed by the Home Office Department.*
- 7. Please provide the most recent OSIO job description if it is updated since November 2017.*

Your request is being handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

We are considering your request. Although the Act carries a presumption in favour of disclosure, it provides exemptions which may be used to withhold information in specified circumstances. Some of these exemptions, referred to as 'qualified exemptions', are

subject to a public interest test. This test is used to balance the public interest in disclosure against the public interest in favour of withholding the information. The Act allows us to exceed the 20 working day response target where we need to consider the public interest test fully.

The information which you have requested is being considered under the exemptions in section s 43(2) of the Act, which relates to law enforcement. These are qualified exemptions and to consider the public interest test fully we need to extend the 20 working day response period. We now aim to let you have a full response by 12 February 2020.

Yours sincerely

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