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Dear Mr Andrews

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NUMBER: 000171/13

The following request for information under the Freedom of Information Act was received by ACPO on the date listed above.

Applicant Question:

please clarify what actually happens to records on the PNC which have been transferred from the Scottish Criminal History System, at the end of a Scottish retention period.

For example, a Scottish arrest record (not resulting in a conviction) - Is this removed permanently from the PNC at the same time as it is weeded on the Scottish system, or is it 'stepped down' in the same way English arrest records might be?

Basically I would like to know the retention rules for Scottish data, particularly non conviction data.

ACPO Acknowledgement:

Your request will be considered in accordance with the legislation and you will receive a response within the statutory timescale of 20 working days, subject to the provisions of the Act. In the unlikely event that ACPO is unable to meet the 20 working day deadline, you will be informed as soon as possible and given a revised timescale for response.

To be accepted, any clarification(s) to your request must be submitted in writing directly to ACPO FOI.

If your request requires full or partial transference to another public authority, you will be informed. Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter, please write or contact Sherry Traquair on telephone number 02380 674255 quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely

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