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Dear P John

Cabinet Office Internal Review Reference: IR2022/00222
(Original Case Reference: FOI2021/23051 & FOI2021/23086)

REVIEW OF REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Thank you for your email of 7th January. You asked for an internal review of our response to your request for information on 6th January. In your two separate requests for information about allegations of gatherings in No 10 Downing Street at the end of 2020, you specifically asked for *the Downing Street guard's log book entries from 18th and 19th December 2020 and who paid for the food & drink that was provided at that event and what was the cost to the taxpayer*. You have only requested a review of your request concerning the Police Guard Log Book of 18th December.

I have carefully reviewed the handling of your request and I consider that our response confirming that no information is held by the Cabinet Office was correct. I have therefore concluded that I should uphold the decision given in our letter of 6th January.

I have also considered the points you raised in your request for an internal review; namely that it is *'somewhat improbable that the Cabinet Office holds no such records of the events on 18/19 December 2020, still less likely the police would not keep a diary/daybook for the purpose of handover from shift to shift for example'*. I can confirm that after reviewing the necessary and conclusive searches, the Cabinet Office does not hold the information you have requested.

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

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'HMD', is located below the address of the Information Commissioner's Office.

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