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Dear Mr Styles

Thank you for your email of 1 August about guidance on injury award reviews. Your request for information has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked for copies of Home Office Circulars about the Police Pensions Regulations 1987, issued around 1987, and Home Office Circulars specifically relating to the management of police injury pensions between 1987 and 2003.

I am able to disclose the following information:

HOC 20/1987

HOC 73/1988

HOC 43/1990

HOC 55/1991

HOC 45/1995

HOC 4/2000

You also asked to know if we hold any other similar information, which was not distributed under cover of a Home Office Circular. The Home Office Commentary on the Police Pension Scheme dates from this period and has some information relating to the management of police injury pensions.

We believe that some of the information you have requested is already reasonably accessible to you. It can be found at:

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HOC	Web address
14/1995	http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/ERORecords/HO/421/2/circulars/1
	995/hoc9514.htm
34/1996	http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/ERORecords/HO/421/2/circulars/1
	996/hoc9634.htm
5/1997	http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/ERORecords/HO/421/2/circulars/1
	997/hoc9705.htm
44/1999	http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/ERORecords/HO/421/2/circulars/1
	999/hoc4499.htm
48/1999	http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/ERORecords/HO/421/2/circulars/1
	999/hoc9948.htm
43/2002	http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20031220221854/http://ww
	w.homeoffice.gov.uk/docs/medical_appeals.pdf

Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act exempts the Home Office from having to provide you with this information, because it is already in the public domain. If you have any difficulties in accessing this information at the source which I have indicated, please contact me again.

If you are dissatisfied with the response you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting your complaint within two months to the address below quoting reference **15680**. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

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Yours sincerely

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