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Dear Mr Gulamhussein

## Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request – 201222009

Thank you for your request received on 22 December 2020 in which you asked for the following information from the Ministry of Justice (MoJ):

We seek recorded information held about policies on communications between HMCTS (in particular at North West London Magistrates' Court) about the immigration status of a Court Subject. In particular we would like to know the information HMCTS collects in respect of the immigration status of those convicted and sentenced in particular at North West London Magistrates' Court and the information provided by yourselves to the Home Office on both conviction and sentence. We would like the policies on communication in force on 1st May 2020 if they differ from the policies in force now. Thank you for your cooperation. We look forward to a prompt response.

Your request has been handled under the FOIA.

The MoJ does not hold any information in the scope of your request. This is because the HMCTS which is an executive agency of the MoJ does not provide the Home Office with information about the immigration status of a Court subject.

You may wish to contact **Metropolitan Police** as they may hold some of the information you requested. Their contact details are:

https://www.met.police.uk/rqo/request/ri/request-information/rip/request-information-police/request-information-about-police/FOI-request-form/

The FOIA does not oblige a public authority to create information to answer a request if the requested information is not held. The duty is to only provide the recorded information held.

## **Appeal Rights**

If you are not satisfied with this response you have the right to request an internal review by responding in writing to the address below within two months of the date of this response.

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Disclosure Team, Ministry of Justice,

You do have the right to ask the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) to investigate any aspect of your complaint. However, please note that the ICO is likely to expect internal complaints procedures to have been exhausted before beginning their investigation.

Yours sincerely The Disclosure Team