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Mr Matt Smith

By email to: request-1105235-8f6690c8@whatdotheyknow.com

9 April 2024

Dear Mr Smith,

Freedom of Information Request Reference FOI-1501952

Thank you for your request dated 20 March to the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC), a copy of which can be found in the accompanying annex.

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

DHSC does not hold the information you have requested. This is because we are not the appropriate authority to contact on this subject.

However, you may wish to contact the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA), which may hold information relevant to your request. Contact details for UKHSA can be found at www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-health-security-agency.

If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to appeal by asking for an internal review. This should be sent to freedomofinformation@dhsc.gov.uk or to the address at the top of this letter and be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communication.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may complain directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have already appealed our original response and received our internal review decision. You should raise your concerns with the ICO within three months of your last meaningful contact with us.

Guidance on contacting the ICO can be found at <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us> and information about making a complaint can be found at <https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint>.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Team
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Annex

From: Matt Smith <request-1105235-8f6690c8@whatdotheyknow.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2024 2:36 PM
To: FreedomofInformation <freedomofinformation@dhsc.gov.uk>
Subject: Freedom of Information request - Primer Design

Dear Department of Health and Social Care,

Please provide me with all internal email threads (together with attachments and documents), that relate to the dispute between the DHSC and Primer Design (possibly typed as a single word, Primerdesign) or its parent company, Novacyt.

Yours faithfully,
Matt Smith