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Dear Ms Persson

Re: Freedom of Information – 41814

Thank you for your follow up e-mail of 13 December, in which request for information regarding Home Office requests to the Department for Education (DfE) to access the National Pupil Database (NPD).

You have asked us to:

Please may I ask for the complete information requested on November 10?

"Copies of the original request (one group of 506, plus one urgent) made to the Department for Education from the Home Office in only April 2016, referred to your material already provided.

"This should include the original request date, the volume of data requested and granted, the types of data (by each field) requested and exchanged, and for what purposes they were stated to be used."

So that should be a copy of the original file - rather than the blank template supplied and include the types of data including each field name requested and each exchanged.

The Home Office has obligations under the Data Protection Act 1998 and in law generally to protect personal data. We have concluded that some of the information you have requested is exempt from disclosure under section 40(2) of the FOI Act, because of the condition at section 40(3)(a)(i). This exempts personal data if disclosure would contravene any of the data protection principles in Schedule 1 to the Data Protection Act. Data exchanged, the volume granted and all personal data is not disclosed.

We will not be able to comply with your request for a copy of the 'one group of 506 in April', as this was made to the DfE via covering request form (attached annex) and a spreadsheet of personal data, in which all of the information would be exempted and redacted.





If you are dissatisfied with this response you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to the address below, quoting reference **41814**. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

Information Access Team Home Office 3rd Floor, Peel Building 2 Marsham Street London SW1P 4DF

E-mail: info.access@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk

As part of any internal review the Department's handling of your information request will be reassessed by staff who were not involved in providing you with this response. If you remain dissatisfied after this internal review, you would have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act.

Yours sincerely

Immigration Enforcement Freedom of Information & Parliamentary Questions Team

