



Mr Simon Drudga

Via email: [request-651896-92d97034@whatdotheyknow.com](mailto:request-651896-92d97034@whatdotheyknow.com)

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Our ref: FOI 2020-16

Dear **Mr Drugda**

**SUBJECT: Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your email of 3 March 2020, in which you asked for the following information from the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom (UKSC):

*I would like to request access to the following documents in your possession:*

- MB 12/29
- MB 09/18
- MB13/02
- MB14/02
- MB15/02
- MB16/02

I can confirm that we hold some of the information which falls within the scope of your request, but that this information may be exempt under Sections 28, 35, 36 and 38 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). You can find more information about these exemptions via the Information Commissioner's website: <https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-freedom-of-information/refusing-a-request/>

Public authorities are required to respond to requests for information under the FOIA no later than 20 working days following receipt of the request. However, Section 10(3) of the FOIA allows public authorities to extend this time limit where the information held may be exempt under a qualified exemption, and they require more time to consider the balance of the public interest when deciding whether to disclose the information.

The UKSC has not yet reached a decision on the balance of the public interest in this case. As I need additional time to fully consider where the balance of the public interest lies in relation to the information you have requested, I will not be able to respond to your request in full within 20 working days.

I hope to let you have a response to you within the next 20 working days (by 30 April 2020).

If it is likely that I will not be able to respond by this date, I will write again and explain when I will be able to respond in full to your request.

As part of our obligations under the FOIA, the UKSC has an independent review process. If you are dissatisfied with this decision, you may write to request an internal review. The internal review will be carried out by someone who did not make the original decision, and they will reassess how the Department handled the original request.

If you wish to request an internal review, please write or send an email to the Data Access and Compliance Unit within two months of the date of this letter, at the following address:

Ms S Clark  
Director of Corporate Services  
The Supreme Court of the United Kingdom  
Parliament Square  
London  
SW1P 3BD  
e-mail: [foi@supremecourt.uk](mailto:foi@supremecourt.uk)

If you remain dissatisfied after an internal review decision, you have the right to apply to the Information Commissioner's Office under Section 50 of the FOIA. You can contact the Information Commissioner's Office at the following address:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF  
Internet: [https://www.ico.gov.uk/Global/contact\\_us.aspx](https://www.ico.gov.uk/Global/contact_us.aspx)

Yours sincerely

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