



Information Rights

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Dear Mr Paul Jones,

Freedom of Information Request - RF120210476

Thank you for your request to the BBC of 19 March 2021 seeking the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act'):

Can you provide a list of BBC employees, or presenters who are contracted in to work on BBC shows, who have had to be reminded that nothing should appear on their personal social media accounts that undermine the perception of the BBC's integrity or impartiality; when such a communication was sent, and what further steps if any have been taken if any further breaches of the rules on social media impartiality continued to occur.

We are withholding this information under section 40(2) (personal information) of the FOI Act. Under section 40(2), personal information about identifiable living individuals is exempt if disclosure to a third party would breach one or more principles in the General Data Protection Regulation. The individual(s) concerned would not expect their personal data to be disclosed to a third party. Therefore, disclosure would breach the principle to only process personal data lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner.

Appeal Rights

If you are not satisfied that we have complied with the Act in responding to your request, you have the right to an internal review by a BBC senior manager or legal adviser. Please contact us at the address above, explaining what you would like us to review and including your reference number. A request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of receiving the BBC's response to your original request.

If you are not satisfied with the internal review, you can appeal to the Information Commissioner. The contact details are: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF, Tel: 0303 123 1113 or see <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely

