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Dear Andrew Keenan,

We wrote to you on 13 October regarding an extension for your FOI request.

I can confirm that the Department holds some of the information you have requested and will be releasing some of the data. However, as previously stated, I consider that the following exemption(s) apply to your request:

- Section 40 – Personal information
- Section 35(1)(a) – the formulation or development of government policy

Unfortunately, the Department estimates that it will take an additional 10 days to finalise a public interest test. Therefore, it is anticipated that you will receive a full response by 12 November 2020. If it appears that it will take longer than this to reach a conclusion, we will keep you informed.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number 2020-0053539 in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way your request has been handled, you should make a complaint to the Department by writing to me within two calendar months of the date of this letter. Your complaint will be considered by an independent review panel, which were not involved in the original consideration of your request.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint to the Department, you may then contact the Information Commissioner's Office.

Yours sincerely,

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