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Dear Mr Zola,

Cabinet Office Internal Review Reference: **IR327883**

(Original Case Reference: **FOI327883**)

## REVIEW OF REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Thank you for your email of 18 November. You asked for an internal review of our response to your request for information of 5 April. In your request you asked for information on Cabinet Office's role in changes made to the Employment and Support Allowance ESA65B letter.

I have carefully reviewed the handling of your request and I consider that the exemptions at section 35 of the Freedom of Information Act were properly applied. I believe that the balance of the public interest was fully considered for the reasons set out in our letter of 31 October. I have therefore concluded that I should uphold the decision given in our letter.

I have considered the points you make about the public interest in this issue, and that the information you have requested does not concern policy development.

If you are unhappy with the handling of your request for information you, have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eirian Walsh Atkins', written in a cursive style.

Eirian Walsh Atkins