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Dear Ms Nickson

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your e-mail of 24 April in which you ask for an internal review of the handling of your earlier information request. I have checked our records and confirm that your earlier email of 1 March about diplomatic passports was not received. Your request has now been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am able to disclose the following information which is set out below

Would a Diplomat still have a P in his passport?

The descriptor code associated with diplomatic passports is identical to that of a standard passport. The letter 'P' denotes that the document is a passport. This code is mandated by ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organisation).

In keeping with the Freedom of Information Act, we assume that all information can be released to the public unless it is exempt. In line with normal practice we are therefore releasing the information which you requested via the www.gov.uk website.

I hope that this information meets your requirements. I would like to assure you that we have provided you with all relevant information that we hold.

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 FOICR 31516/14. 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
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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

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