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Dear Mr Pickering,

Freedom of Information request (our reference: 26904)

I am writing in response to your e-mail of 8 May 2013, in which you asked for an Internal Review of the time taken to respond to your Freedom of Information (Fol) request of 21 March 2013.

I have now completed the review. I confirm that I have not previously been involved in the handling of your request.

Section 10(1) of the Fol Act requires that the Home Office should have informed you whether the information you requested was held, and if appropriate, have provided it to you within 20 working days of your request being received. Section 10(3) of the Fol Act requires that the Home Office should have informed you within this 20 working day period if additional time was required to consider the public interest considerations affecting the information you have requested. It is clear to me that neither of these conditions was met.

I apologise on behalf of the department for the length of time which it is taking to provide you with a response to your request. While I cannot give a definite date by which the unit expects to respond, I can, however, assure you that your request is under active consideration and a response will be issued shortly.

If you remain dissatisfied with this response to your complaint, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

The Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely,

J Kirby

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