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Dear Mr Evans

Freedom of Information Request Reference FOI-1118186

Thank you for your request dated 2 February in which you asked the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC):

"Dear Department of Health and Social Care,

I write regarding the VOF 624 1 series of files, these are concerned with The Haemophilia Society. Some volumes of these files are available on TNA's catalogue, but not all of them. I have outlined those which are not yet on TNA's Online Discovery Catalogue below.

Under FOI, I would like to know, do these other missing volumes exist and if so when will they be made available? Given DH has stated it is committed to transparency in relation to these types of files I would expect if they do exist for them to be made available.

VOF 624 1 1 - Missing

VOF 624 1 2 - Available

any further files in this series"

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

The Department of Health and Social Care does not hold a file with the reference VOF/624/001/V001. We hold files with the reference VOF/624/001/V003 and VOF/624/001/V004 which cover the period 1997 to 2002. These are not yet historic records and are not yet due to be transferred to The National Archives. There are no later files in this series.

If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to appeal by asking for an internal review. This should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the

response to your original letter and should be addressed to the address at the top of this letter, or the email address at the end of this letter.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may complain directly to the Information Commissioner (ICO) who may decide to investigate your concerns. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have already appealed our original response, and received our internal review response. The ICO will not usually investigate concerns where there has been an undue delay in bringing it to their attention. You should raise your concerns with them within three months of your last meaningful contact with us.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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Yours sincerely,

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