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Via:request-502864-d24f2d39@whatdotheyknow.com

Our ref: DEX001355

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Dear John Chambers,

I refer to your request, where you asked:

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When will UK passports with "European Union" on the cover stop being issued?

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I can confirm the Department for Exiting the European Union (DExEU) holds information relevant to your request. However, we believe that the information is already reasonably accessible to you.

Section 21 is engaged as this information is accessible to the public via other means. For information relevant to your request please follow the link below;

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/blue-uk-passport-to-return-after-eu-exit>

The Immigration Minister Brandon Lewis has announced that after the UK leaves the EU, burgundy passports will continue to be issued but with no reference to the European Union.

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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the FOI team. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by DExEU. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
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Yours sincerely,

**Freedom of Information Team, DExEU.**