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Dear Madam,

I am writing to advise you that we will be unable to respond to your request within the 20 working days, your request for information which we received on 22/10/2026 needs to be extended. The new date for a response is 18/12/2026. We had expected to provide you with a response at this time; however, I regret to advise that due to third party consultation in scope of your request we will require further time to respond. We will endeavour to reply as soon as possible; We apologise for any inconvenience this has caused.

The Freedom of Information Act 2000 gives you two rights of access when you write to us asking for information. You have the right to know whether we hold the information that you are looking for, and you have the right to have the information given to you. These rights may only be set aside, if the information you are looking for is covered by an exemption in the Act.

If you believe that our final reply is not in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 you may ask for an internal review within two calendar months of the date of our final response. If you request an internal review, please do so in writing stating the reasons to foi@justice-ni.gov.uk or to the postal address and quote the FOI reference number above.

If following an internal review, you remain dissatisfied you may make a complaint to the Information Commissioner and ask them to investigate whether the DOJ has complied with the terms of FOIA. You can write to the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

The Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been completed.

Further details on the role of the Information Commissioner and the handling of appeals can be found at: www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

Access to Information Manager