

## **Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)**

### **Decision notice**

**Date:** 4 June 2024

**Public Authority:** Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

**Address:** King Charles Street  
London  
SW1A 2AH

#### **Request:**

The complainant requested the following information from Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office on 19 September 2023:

"Please provide me with the information that the Fusiliers supplied to KFOR and HMG suggesting that weapons were being smuggled across the border from Serbia into Orthodox churches in ambulances into Kosovo. Please also supply situation reports and briefings held by the FCDO from the Fusiliers to KFOR between October 2022 up to the date of their departure from Kosovo. Any internal reports/analysis on alleged smuggling of weapons across the Serbia/Kosovo border.

I also wish to see the FCDO briefing papers drafted for Sir Stuart Peach for his visits to Kosovo and Serbia in February and October 2022."

#### **Commissioner's Decision:**

A public authority will breach section 10 of FOIA if it fails to respond to a request within 20 working days. Based on evidence available to the Commissioner, by the date of this notice the public authority has not issued a substantive response to this request. Therefore the Commissioner finds a breach of section 10.

**Steps:**

The public authority must provide a substantive response to the request in accordance with its obligations under FOIA.

The public authority must take this step within 30 calendar days of the date of this decision notice. Failure to comply may result in the Commissioner making written certification of this fact to the High Court pursuant to section 54 of FOIA and may be dealt with as a contempt of court.

**Right of Appeal:**

Either party has the right to appeal against this decision notice to the First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights). Information about the appeals process may be obtained from:

First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights)  
GRC & GRP Tribunals,  
PO Box 9300,  
LEICESTER,  
LE1 8DJ

Tel: 0203 936 8963

Fax: 0870 739 5836

Email: [grc@justice.gov.uk](mailto:grc@justice.gov.uk)

Website: [www.justice.gov.uk/tribunals/general-regulatory-chamber](http://www.justice.gov.uk/tribunals/general-regulatory-chamber)

Any Notice of Appeal should be served on the Tribunal within 28 (calendar) days of the date on which this decision notice is sent.

**Information Commissioner  
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Water Lane  
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