

Dumfries and Galloway Constabulary



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Mr David Mery

via email

Dear Mr Mery

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002 REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

I refer to your request for information dated 28 November 2008, which I have considered and write to advise the force response.

Having researched your request in relation to the removal of DNA records, I have to advise that the responsibility for such processes is centralised in Scotland and is managed by the Scottish Police Services Authority (SPSA) and therefore in terms of Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, no information is held in this respect.

You may wish to direct your request to the SPSA and will find information on how to do so on the website at www.spsa.police.uk.

I trust that the information available is of assistance, however please contact me if you require clarification.

If you are not satisfied with the way in which your request has been handled, you are entitled in the first instance to request a review of the decision by contacting me in writing detailing the grounds for review within 40 days of receiving this letter. A review will then be facilitated by the Chief Inspector, Complaints and Professional Standards Unit. If, after receiving the review panel's decision, you are still not satisfied, you have the right of appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner. Contact details are Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS, telephone 01334 464 610.

Yours sincerely

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