

From: <fiu@lbp.pnn.police.uk>
Subject: RE: FOI/E/705 FOIA request for the DNA records removal process (04.6)
Date: 11 December 2008 15:34:42 GMT
To: <dmery@acm.org>

Dear David,

Request for information - DNA records removal process

Thank you for your email, which has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. The process for removing DNA records from the DNA database is the responsibility of the Scottish Police Service Authority (SPSA). We do not hold detailed information regarding the process, therefore section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 applies: notice that information is not held.

If you have any questions about the above or I can help in any other way, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me again. However, under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, you have the right to appeal if you are dissatisfied with the way in which we have dealt with your enquiry. This should be done within 40 working days of receiving this email. If you wish to appeal please contact Rachel Watson, Head of Force Information Unit, Lothian and Borders Police, Police Headquarters, Fettes Avenue, Edinburgh, EH4 1RB. Please note that subsequent to this internal review there is a right of appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Kind regards,

Gabriella Trybalska
Force Information Unit

-----Original Message-----

From: David Mery [mailto:dmery@acm.org]
Sent: 28 November 2008 00:02
To: Force Information Unit
Subject: FOI/E/705 FOIA request for the DNA records removal process

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would appreciate, if in accordance with the FOIA, you can provide me by email the following information concerning the removal of DNA records by the Lothian & Borders force:

The detailed process that is followed to remove the DNA records of an individual whose DNA was sampled by your force (either because the lawful retention period expired or the chief of your police force decided to delete the DNA records for any other reason). I expect the process to describe the several steps required to ensure that the DNA samples are physically destroyed and the DNA profile deleted from the database(s) to which it has been uploaded: which actions are performed by which roles in which department, how is this verified, how is this communicated, etc.

Name: David Mery
Email address for this correspondence: dmery@acm.org

I look forward to receiving this data.

Best regards -d

--

David Mery +44 7973 204 214
dmery@acm.org <http://gizmonaut.net>

Reclaim your civil liberties - <http://gizmonaut.net/blog/>

This email is privileged, confidential and subject to copyright. Any unauthorised use or disclosure of its content is prohibited. The views expressed in this communication may not necessarily be the views of Lothian and Borders Police.