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Dear Independent on Sunday

Freedom of Information Request Reference No: FOI 101/12/13

I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk Constabulary on the 28th May 2012 in which you sought access to the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I request access to and copies of all documents, including emails, meeting reports, minutes, emails and official communications relating to

Consideration of the potential use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs)/Unmanned Aerial Systems (UASs) since January 1, 2009.

I would like the response to include all discussions within the force and with other forces and interested parties, including potential suppliers, during the period.

Norfolk Constabulary does not hold information relevant to your request.

Response to your Request

Norfolk Constabulary has no record of any considerations of the potential use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs)/Unmanned Aerial Systems (UASs) since January 1 2009.

Additionally, Norfolk Constabulary can neither confirm nor deny that they hold any other information relevant to the whole of your request by virtue of the following exemption:

Section 23(5) Information supplied by, or concerning, certain security bodies

The duty to confirm or deny does not arise if, or to the extent that, compliance with section 1(1)(a) would involve the disclosure of any information (whether or not already recorded) which was directly or indirectly supplied to the public authority by, or relates to, any of the bodies specified in subsection (3).

This is an absolute exemption and I am therefore not required to complete a public interest test.

This response will be published on the Norfolk Constabulary’s web-site www.norfolk.police.uk under the Freedom of Information pages at Publication Scheme - Disclosure Logs.

Should you have any further queries concerning this request, please contact me quoting the reference number shown above.