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Ref: 12/1658/15

Alex Harris

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Dear Alex Harris

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 11 October 2014, in which you sought information in relation to s59 of the Search and Surveillance Act 2012.

You requested, in respect of the last ten s59 surveillance device warrant reports provided by Police:

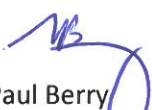
1. The number of them where carrying out the activities authorised by the surveillance device warrant resulted in obtaining evidential material;
2. The number of them where the evidential material obtained as a result of carrying out the activities authorised by the warrant was evidential material specified in the warrant in accordance with section 55(3)(e);
3. The number of them where criminal proceedings have been brought or are under consideration as a result of evidential material obtained under the warrant.

In eight of the last ten surveillance device warrant reports provided by Police in accordance with s59, the reports stated that:

- carrying out the activities authorised by the surveillance device warrant resulted in obtaining evidential material;
- the evidential material obtained as a result of carrying out the activities authorised by the warrant was evidential material specified in the warrant in accordance with section 55(3)(e); and
- criminal proceedings have been brought or are under consideration as a result of evidential material obtained under the warrant.

If you are not satisfied with the response to your request, you have the right to refer the matter to the Office of the Ombudsmen.

Yours sincerely


Paul Berry
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Acting National Manager