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Request

You asked us:

"Has the ICO asked the FCA about its practice of circulating internal weekly lists of new FOIA requests that include the names of requestors ? If not why not?

Has the ICO reviewed its own and the FCA approach to labelling FOIA requests as vexatious following the First-Tier Tribunal case Paul Carlier v Information Commissioner and the FCA?"

We received your request on 2 September.

We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the FOIA).

Our response

We do not hold any information within the scope of your request. I have made enquiries with our FOI complaints department regarding your fist point, and they have confirmed that they have not had any discussions with the FCA about this.

Given that this would potentially be a data protection concern, I have also checked our data protection complaint files and can confirm that we have had no discussions on this point as part of a data protection complaint. Our data protection complaints team have also advised that they have not discussed this with the FCA outside of the complaints process.

We do not hold any recorded information as to why this is, and we are not required to create information in response to an FOI request. We can advise that we would be most likely to have investigated this if an individual affected by the



policy had brought a complaint to us about it, and it appears that this has not happened.

We have also not conducted any internal policy reviews concerning the decision in Paul Carlier v Information Commissioner and the FCA.

This concludes our response.

Next steps

You can ask us to review our response. Please let us know in writing if you want us to carry out a review. Please do so within 40 working days.

You can read a copy of our full <u>review procedure</u> on our website.

If we perform a review but you are still dissatisfied, you can complain to the ICO as regulator of the FOIA. This complaint will be handled just like a complaint made to the ICO about any other public authority.

You can <u>raise a complaint</u> through our website.

Your information

Our <u>privacy notice</u> explains what we do with the personal data you provide to us, and sets out <u>your rights</u>. Our <u>Retention and Disposal Policy</u> details how long we keep information.

Yours sincerely



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