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Dear Ms. Strangeways

**Public Access to Information Act to 2010 - PATI #660**

Thank you for your application dated 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022, received by us on the same day.

The request was for the report submitted to Government House by Andrew Bermingham on misconduct claims against former Commissioner of Police Steven Corbishley.

Your application has regrettably been denied as the record requested is an exempt record pursuant to sections 30 (1)(c ): A record is exempt if its disclosure could reasonably be expected to prejudice the effectiveness of tests, examinations, investigations, inquiries or audits conducted by or on behalf of the public authority concerned or procedures or methods employed for the conduct of those tests, examinations, investigations, inquiries or audits.

The record is also exempt pursuant to Article 33 (1) (a) A record is exempt from disclosure if it contains information that relates to the responsibilities of the Governor under section 62 of the Bermuda Constitution Order 1968, the disclosure of which would prejudice, or could reasonably be expected to prejudice the effective conduct of public affairs; and 34 (1) (a) The record is exempt if its disclosure would or could reasonably be expected to prejudice the prevention, detection or investigation of a breach or possible breach of the law.

We have carefully weighed the public interest argument as defined in the Information Commissioners guidance against the possible adverse effects of disclosure, in particular the need for public confidence in the integrity of investigations and in the responsibilities of the Governor and have concluded that it is not in the public interest to disclose this record.

Under section 41 of the Public Access to Information Act 2010 you may ask for an internal review of a decision regarding your request including:

- (a) Refusing to grant access; or
- (b) Granting partial access to the record specified in your application.

You have 6 weeks from the date of receipt of this notice to request an Internal Review by writing to us including:

- a. Your name, address and telephone number
- b. A copy of your application and/or the reference number assigned to your application;
- c. A copy of this letter
- d. If so inclined, the basis on which you are requesting a review of the decision indicated.

If upon internal review, the decision is still not favourable to you, you have the right under section 45 of the Act to apply in writing to the Information Commissioner for a review of:

- (a) Any decision made by the head of a public authority on an internal review, within 6 weeks after being notified of that decision.
- (b) Any failure by the head of a public authority to make a decision on review, within 6 weeks after the date when the decision was required to be made.

Please note that in this context 6 weeks means 42 days including weekends and public holidays.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact me and ensure that you quote the reference number above.

Yours sincerely



Alison Crocket  
Information Officer