

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Decision notice

Date: 12 January 2017

Public Authority: Foreign and Commonwealth Office
Address: King Charles Street
London
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Decision (including any steps ordered)

1. The complainant submitted a request to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) for four files dating from 1977 and 1978 concerning litigation about the resettlement of Chagossians from the British Indian Ocean Territory. The FCO withheld the files on the following sections of FOIA: sections 27(1)(a), (c) and (d) (international relations), section 29(1)(b) (the economy) and section 40(2) (personal data).
2. The Commissioner's decision is that:
 - Some of the documents are exempt from disclosure on the basis of either section 27 and/or section 29, and for these documents the public interest favours maintaining each exemption. These documents are identified in the annex attached to this notice.
 - However, for the remainder of the documents, the Commissioner has concluded that neither section 27 nor section 29 is engaged. Again, these documents are identified in the annex to this notice.
3. The Commissioner requires the public authority to take the following steps to ensure compliance with the legislation.
 - Disclose the documents identified in the annex attached to this notice.
4. The public authority must take these steps within 35 calendar days of the date of this decision notice. Failure to comply may result in the Commissioner making written certification of this fact to the High Court pursuant to section 54 of the Act and may be dealt with as a contempt of court.

Request and response

5. The complainant submitted four requests to the FCO in emails dated 3 and 24 July and 6 September 2015 seeking the following information:

"File: FCO 31/2462 - Legal action against HM Government in British Indian Ocean Territory Dated: 1 Jan 1978 to 31 Dec 1978 Former reference JEZ 376/1 PART A

File: FCO 31/2463 - Legal action against HM Government in British Indian Ocean Territory Dated: 1 Jan 1978 to 31 Dec 1978 Former reference JEZ 376/1 PART B

File: FCO 31/2464 - Legal action against HM Government in British Indian Ocean Territory Dated: 1 Jan 1978 to 31 Dec 1978 Former reference JEZ 376/1 PART C

File: FCO 31/2194 - Legal action against UK in British Indian Ocean Territory: case of Michael Vencatassen v. The Crown, alleging assault and wrongful removal from Diego Garcia Dated: 1 Jan 1977 to 31 Dec 1977 Former reference JEZ 376/548/1 PART D

The above file is listed by the National Archives as "Temporarily Retained by Department". My FOI request is for copies of all documents (including minute sheets) contained in this file. Please could these be supplied in scanned electronic format (PDF) if possible. If this is not possible then photocopies will suffice."

6. Furthermore, in an email dated 28 October 2015 the complainant also asked the FCO to undertake the following:

'With your reply please would you supply a 'List of Documents' contained in the File that fell within the scope of my request (both of the documents to be released and those that you consider to be exempt). If you do not consider that my original request covered a list of documents, then please treat this as a request for such a list.'

7. The FCO issued a number of extension letters to the complainant explaining that it needed further time to complete its consideration of the public interest test, the last letter being dated 15 January 2016.

8. The Commissioner issued a decision notice, FS50605761, on 15 February 2016 which required the FCO to provide the complainant with a substantive response to his requests.¹
9. The FCO issued this response on 21 March 2016. The FCO explained that it considered the requested information to be exempt on the basis of the exemptions contained at the following sections of the FOIA: 27(1)(a), (c) and (d) – international relations, 29(1)(b) – economy, and 40(2) – personal data. In relation to the complainant's request for a list of documents, the FCO explained that *'Please note that there is no requirement for a public authority to provide information on exempted material and we do not intend to do so.'* However, the FCO explained that the files contained a number of newspaper articles which it was prepared to disclose to the complainant. (After an initial delay, the press cuttings in question were provided to the complainant).
10. The complainant contacted the FCO on 24 March 2016 and asked it to conduct an internal review of this decision. He explained that he was dissatisfied with both the refusal by the FCO to disclose the information that he had requested and the refusal of the FCO to provide him with a list of the documents falling within the scope of his requests.
11. The FCO completed its internal review on 28 July 2016. The review concluded that the contents of the files were exempt from disclosure on the basis of the exemptions cited in the refusal notice. With regard to the request for a list of file contents, the FCO provided the complainant with a copy of the registry record for each of the four files.

Scope of the case

12. The complainant initially contacted the Commissioner on 23 May 2016 in light of the FCO's failure to complete the internal review. Following the FCO's completion of the internal review, the complainant explained that he was concerned that the registry records provided to him were not complete. Further, he explained that he remained dissatisfied with the FCO's failure to provide the information contained within the files.
 13. Following the Commissioner's intervention, the FCO provided the complainant with a revised list of documents contained in each of the four files. The Commissioner is satisfied that these lists represent a complete record of the documents contained in each file; the
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¹ <https://ico.org.uk/media/action-weve-taken/decision-notice/2016/1560729/fs50605761.pdf>

complainant does not dispute the finding. Therefore, the Commissioner has not considered this aspect of the complaint any further.

14. Instead, the focus of this decision notice is to determine whether the content of the files requested by the complainant is exempt from disclosure on the basis of the exemptions cited by the FCO.

15. The FCO has applied the exemptions to the four files on the following basis:

FCO 31/2462 – Sections 27 and 29

FCO 31/2463 - Sections 27 and 29

FCO 31/2464 – Section 27

FCO 31/2194 - Sections 27, 29. The FCO also argued that section 40 applied to part of folio 80 in this file.

Reasons for decision

Section 27 – international relations

16. Sections 27(1)(a), (c) and (d) state that:

'Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice—

(a) relations between the United Kingdom and any other State...

...(c) the interests of the United Kingdom abroad, or

(d) the promotion or protection by the United Kingdom of its interests abroad.'

The FCO's position

17. The FCO emphasised that section 27 recognised that the effective conduct of international relations depends upon maintaining trust and confidence between governments. The FCO argued that if the UK does not maintain this trust and confidence, its ability to protect and promote UK interests through international relations will be hampered. In this case, the FCO argued that disclosure of the information contained in all four of the requested files would be likely to jeopardise UK bilateral relationships with the government of the US and the government of Mauritius. In reaching this conclusion, the FCO acknowledged that the sensitivity of information can diminish with the passage of time, however, in a small number of cases FCO material remains sensitive for an extended period of time. The FCO explained that the withheld information in this case falls within such a description due to the

continuing relevance of the withheld information to current policy formation in respect of the British Indian Ocean Territory.

18. The FCO also provided the Commissioner with more detailed submissions which explained why, in its view, the specific information falling within the scope of these requests was exempt from disclosure on the basis of sections 27(1)(a), (c) and (d) of FOIA. However, the Commissioner has not included such submissions in this decision notice because the FCO argued that inclusion of such submissions would risk a similar level of damage to the UK's relations with the US and Mauritius as disclosing the withheld information itself.

The complainant's position

19. The complainant provided the Commissioner with detailed submissions to support his view that the FCO had misapplied the various exemptions it had relied on to withhold the requested files. The Commissioner has summarised the complainant's arguments below:
20. The complainant questioned the blanket manner in which the FCO applied each of the exemptions to all the documents in a particular file. He argued that it was highly unlikely that every document, of which there are several hundred, would be exempt and he suggested that there appeared to be no consideration on the FCO's part of selected disclosure. Furthermore, he noted that where an exemption had been claimed there appeared to be have been no consideration to disclosing a document in a redacted form.
21. The complainant emphasised that an extensive collection of FCO and other departmental files have been released which are concerned with the same subject matter, namely the Vencatassen litigation and other claims at the time by the Chagossians. The complainant explained that this file collection spans the years 1975, when the Vencatassen litigation commenced, until 1982 when a settlement was agreed. He noted that the withheld information in the requested files is from one file in 1977 – the others in the series having been released – and three files for the year 1978. He argued that there was no logic to explain why a blanket exemption is claimed for these files as opposed to free access to information in other files.
23. The complainant explained that from the registry record for 1978 file he had identified six documents which were available elsewhere.²

² Folios 19 and 20 in file FCO 31/2462; folios 43, 50 and 75 in file FCO 31/2464 and folio 102 in file FCO 31/2464.

Consequently, he argued that it was untenable for the FCO to argue that any exemption applies to these particular documents. Moreover, he argued that these documents illustrated that the exemptions claimed were unjustified. (The complainant made reference to the content of each of the six documents and explained why he believed that neither section 27 nor section 29 could be applied to them). With regard to the age of the documents, the complainant emphasised these were now over 38 years old. He noted that the FCO had explained that in a small number of cases material can remain sensitive for an extended period of time. However, he noted that the FCO still took the approach of withholding an entire file and thus failed to recognise that the sensitivity of individual documents will differ.

25. Furthermore, the complainant argued that the current 'policy formulation' which the FCO referred to has involved several iterations of public consultation during which the FCO has expressed a desire for openness. The complainant explained that as part of this review the Cabinet are considering whether or not to authorise the resettlement of the Chagos Island and this decision is expected in the autumn of 2016. The complainant argued that even if the decision was to prevent resettlement, it was hard to see what bearing the content of these particular files would have in the context of the well-known history of earlier compensation that has been offered or wrested from the UK government by threats of legal action.
26. Moreover, the complainant argued that the FCO's claims that the files are exempt because of their continued relevance to current policy formulation was not justified. This was because the long-term policy of the UK government in respect of Chagos and the Chagossians has been that there is no right of abode and no question of resettlement. He explained that any change in policy had only occurred since late 2013 when a decision was taken by the then Foreign Secretary, William Hague, to undertake a new resettlement study. The complainant explained that the files in question came up for consideration under the 30 year rule in 2008 but were retained at that time. He argued that if sections 27 and 29 were the reason for their retention in 2008, then current policy formulation could not have played a part in that decision. It follows, he argued, that it should not be invoked now to prevent disclosure.

The Commissioner's position

27. In order for a prejudice based exemption, such as section 27(1) to be engaged the Commissioner believes that three criteria must be met:
 - Firstly, the actual harm which the public authority alleges would, or would be likely, to occur if the withheld information was disclosed has to relate to the applicable interests within the relevant exemption;

- Secondly, the public authority must be able to demonstrate that some causal relationship exists between the potential disclosure of the information being withheld and the prejudice which the exemption is designed to protect. Furthermore, the resultant prejudice which is alleged must be real, actual or of substance; and
 - Thirdly, it is necessary to establish whether the level of likelihood of prejudice being relied upon by the public authority is met – ie, disclosure 'would be likely' to result in prejudice or disclosure 'would' result in prejudice. In relation to the lower threshold the Commissioner considers that the chance of prejudice occurring must be more than a hypothetical possibility; rather there must be a real and significant risk. With regard to the higher threshold, in the Commissioner's view this places a stronger evidential burden on the public authority. The anticipated prejudice must be more likely than not.
28. Furthermore, the Commissioner has been guided by the comments of the Information Tribunal which suggested that, in the context of section 27(1), prejudice can be real and of substance *'if it makes relations more difficult or calls for a particular damage limitation response to contain or limit damage which would not have otherwise have been necessary'*.³
29. With regard to the first criterion of the three limb test described above, the Commissioner accepts that the potential prejudice described by the FCO clearly relates to the interests which the exemptions contained at sections 27(1)(a), (c) and (d) are designed to protect.
30. With regard to the second criterion, the Commissioner is satisfied that disclosure of **some** of the withheld documents has the potential to harm the UK's relations with either the US or Mauritius. However, in relation to the remainder of the documents the Commissioner is not persuaded that there is a causal link between the disclosure of the documents in question and the nature of the prejudice envisaged by the FCO. The Commissioner cannot explain why she has reached this finding without reference to sensitive parts of the FCO's submissions, and indeed the withheld information itself. The Commissioner's rationale for reaching this decision is therefore contained in a confidential annex which will be shared with the FCO only.
31. Furthermore, the Commissioner is satisfied that in respect of the information which meets the second criterion, if this information was disclosed there is a more than a hypothetical chance of prejudice

³ [Campaign Against the Arms Trade v The Information Commissioner and Ministry of Defence \(EA/2006/0040\)](#), paragraph 81.

occurring. Rather, for such information the Commissioner is satisfied that if this information was disclosed there is a real and significant risk of the UK's relations either with the US or Mauritius being damaged. For such information, the third criterion set out above is met and therefore this information is exempt from disclosure on the basis of sections 27(1)(a), (c) and (d). Again, the Commissioner has elaborated on her rationale for reaching this finding in the confidential annex.

32. In reaching the conclusion that sections 27(1)(a), (c) and (d) apply to some of the withheld information the Commissioner wishes to stress that she has carefully considered the points made by complainant. However, she is persuaded that despite the arguments made by the complainant, the exemptions are engaged in respect of the documents identified in the annex to this notice, and for reasons set out in the confidential annex. The Commissioner acknowledges that of the six documents which the complainant has identified as being available elsewhere, she has concluded that two of these are exempt from disclosure, namely folios 43 and 75. Her reasons for reaching this finding are covered in the confidential annex. However the Commissioner would emphasise that in her view there is a distinction between information already available via another source and disclosure of information, under FOIA, by a government department. This factor has been significant to the Commissioner's decision in respect of folios 43 and 75.

Public interest test

33. Section 27 is a qualified exemption and therefore the Commissioner must consider the public interest test and whether in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.
34. The complainant argued that in considering the balance of the public interest test the FCO had not appeared to have given consideration to the impact that retention of these particular files will have on the historical interpretation of the Vencatassen and compensation record. The complainant emphasised that a blanket application of the exemptions to all four files not only had the effect of denying the public access to the information in question but also had the much wider impact of affecting the interpretation of many hundreds of other documents and the overall record.
35. In its responses to the complainant the FCO argued that if the withheld information was disclosed this would undermine its ability to protect and promote the UK's interests through its relations with both the US and Mauritius which would be firmly against the public interest. The FCO also provided the Commissioner with more detailed submissions to support its view that the public interest favoured maintaining the exemptions

contained at sections 27(1)(a), (c) and (d). However, as with the FCO's submissions on engaging the exemption, the Commissioner cannot include these in this notice without potentially revealing information which itself exempt from disclosure.

36. In the Commissioner's opinion it is clear that disclosure of the information which she accepts is exempt from disclosure on the basis of section 27(1) would add considerably to the public's understanding of the legal cases discussed in the documents. Disclosure would also increase the public's knowledge about nature of the UK's relations with the US and Mauritius. Moreover, the Commissioner agrees that disclosure would also aid the public's ability to understand and interpret other information, previously disclosed, which concerns this issue. The Commissioner therefore accepts that there is strong public interest in the disclosure of the withheld information.
37. However, the Commissioner agrees with the FCO that there is an inherently strong public interest in ensuring that the UK maintains effective relations with other countries. In the circumstances of this case, and taking into account the specific points raised in the FCO's submissions to her, the Commissioner is persuaded that the public interest favours maintaining the exemptions contained at section 27(1)(a), (c) and (d) in order to protect the UK's ability to have effective relations with the US and Mauritius and in order to more widely protect the UK's interests.
38. In summary then, the Commissioner has concluded that sections 27(1)(a), (c) and (d) can only be relied upon in respect of some of the withheld information. The particular documents in question are identified in the annex attached to this notice.

Section 29 – the economy

39. Section 29(1)(b) states that:

'(1) Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice...

...(b) the financial interests of any administration in the United Kingdom'

The FCO's position

40. The FCO argued that disclosure of the information withheld on the basis of section 29(1)(b) would be likely to prejudice the UK's economic interests in respect of the Chagossian resettlement issue. The FCO provided the Commissioner with more detailed and specific reasons to explain why it considered this to be the case. However, the Commissioner has not referred to these here as to do so risks revealing information which is itself exempt from disclosure.

The complainant's position

41. For the reasons set out above at paragraphs 19 to 26, the complainant questioned the FCO's decision to withhold the entire contents of three of four of the requested files on the basis of section 29(1)(b).

The Commissioner's position

42. As section 29 is a prejudice based exemption, the Commissioner has considered whether the three criteria set out above are met.

43. With regard to the first criterion, the Commissioner accepts that the potential prejudice described by the FCO clearly relates to the interests which the exemption contained at section 29(1)(b) is designed to protect.

44. With regard to the second criterion, the Commissioner is satisfied that disclosure of **some** of the withheld documents has the potential to harm the UK's economic interests in respect of the Chagossian resettlement. However, in relation to the remainder of the documents the Commissioner is not persuaded that there is a causal link between the disclosure of the documents in question and the nature of the prejudice envisaged by the FCO. As with her findings in respect of section 27, the Commissioner cannot explain why she has reached this finding without reference to the sensitive parts of the FCO's submissions. The Commissioner's basis for reaching this decision is therefore contained in the confidential annex which will be shared with the FCO only.

45. Furthermore, and again as with her findings in respect of section 27, the Commissioner is satisfied that in respect of the information which meets the second criterion, if this information was disclosed there is more than a hypothetical chance of prejudice occurring to the UK's financial interest. Rather, for such information the Commissioner is satisfied that if this information was disclosed there is a real and significant risk of the UK's economic interests being damaged. For such information, the third criterion set out above is met and therefore this information is exempt from disclosure on the basis of section 29(1)(b). Again, the Commissioner has elaborated on her rationale for reaching this finding in the confidential annex.

Public interest test

46. Section 29 is a qualified exemption and therefore the Commissioner must consider the public interest test and whether in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.
47. The FCO argued that there was a compelling public interest in protecting the economic interests of the UK. Again, the FCO provided the Commissioner with more detailed and specific reasons to explain why it considered this to be the case.
48. As with the information withheld under section 27, the Commissioner accepts that the disclosure of the information withheld on the basis of section 29 would add considerably to the public's understanding of the issues concerning the Chagossian litigation and also aid the historical interpretation of similar records. However, the Commissioner agrees with the FCO there is very clear public interest in protecting the economic interests of the UK. Consequently, and taking into account the particular circumstances of this case which are addressed in the FCO's more specific submissions, the Commissioner is satisfied that the public interest favours maintaining the exemption contained at section 29(1)(b).
49. In summary, the Commissioner has concluded that only some of the withheld information is exempt from disclosure on the basis of section 29(1)(b). The documents in question are identified in the annex which is attached to this notice.

Section 40(2) – personal data

50. The FCO also sought to withhold the names of individuals contained in folio 80 in file FCO 32/2194. As the Commissioner has concluded that this folio is exempt from disclosure on the basis of section 29(1)(a), she has not considered the FCO's reliance on section 40(2).

Other matters

51. The complainant also raised concerns with the Commissioner about the manner in which the FCO had communicated the outcome of its internal review. Namely that the review was unsigned and entirely anonymous (simply from the 'Head, Historical FOI Team'). He suggested that from a requester's point of view, the anonymity does not establish veracity and is also impolite. Furthermore, the complainant argued that there would appear to be a prima facie lack of independence in the review, given that the review had been conducted by someone who directly employs the person who dealt with the original request.
52. FOIA does not set out the specific way in which public authorities must conduct internal reviews. However, paragraphs 36 to 46 of the Code of Practice (the Code) issued under section 45 of FOIA outline the approach a public authority should take to dealing with internal reviews.⁴
53. The Commissioner has considered the points made by the complainant, along with the relevant parts of the Code and she is satisfied that the FCO has complied with its requirements in handling this internal review. The Code requires that the internal review should, as far as is reasonably practicable, be conducted by someone senior to the person who took the original decision and involve a full re-evaluation of the case. The Commissioner is satisfied that this does not preclude a manager of the original decision maker undertaking the review. Furthermore, the Commissioner notes that there is nothing in the Code which specifically requires an internal review response to be signed.

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https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/235286/0033.pdf

Right of appeal

54. Either party has the right to appeal against this decision notice to the First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights). Information about the appeals process may be obtained from:

First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights)
GRC & GRP Tribunals,
PO Box 9300,
LEICESTER,
LE1 8DJ

Tel: 0300 1234504

Fax: 0870 739 5836

Email: GRC@hmcts.gsi.gov.uk

Website: www.justice.gov.uk/tribunals/general-regulatory-chamber

55. If you wish to appeal against a decision notice, you can obtain information on how to appeal along with the relevant forms from the Information Tribunal website.
56. Any Notice of Appeal should be served on the Tribunal within 28 (calendar) days of the date on which this decision notice is sent.

Signed

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Annex – details of Commissioner’s findings in respect of each file.

File - FCO 31/2462

Folio No.	Document description	Document date	ICO view on application of section 27	ICO view on application of section 29	ICO decision
1	TO Port Louis Carter / Ward	05-Jan-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
2	TO Treasury Solicitor, Munro / Munrow	06-Jan-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
Enc with 2	Briefing for meeting on 11 January 1978	05-Jan-78	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27 and 29
Enc with 2	Flag A - Treasury Solicitor letter from Barnett to Secretary of State, FCO	21-Dec-77	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27 and 29.
Enc with 2	Flag B - Minute from Secretary of State, FCO to	05-Dec-77	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27

	Chief Secretary				and 29.
3	Finance Officer, Jewkes / Munro	09-Jan-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
4	TO Treasury Solicitor, Carter / Munrow	10-Jan-78	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27 and 29.
Enc with 4	TO Port Louis Tel No 003	09-Jan-78	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27 and 29.
5	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford	13-Jan-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
Enc with 5	Draft letter to Bernard Sheridan & Company		Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
Enc with 5	Meeting attendee list on 11 January 1978	11-Jan-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Disclose
Enc with 5	File note	11-Jan-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29

5A	Treasury Solicitor Ballard / Bickford	17-Jan-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
Enc with 5A	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford	13-Jan-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
Enc with 5A	Draft letter to Bernard Sheridan & Company		Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
6	Minute - Carter / Posnett, Dependent Territories Adviser	20-Jan-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 6	Signed - Minute Carter / Posnett, Dependent Territories Adviser	20-Jan-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
7	Finance Officer, Jewkes / Carter	25-Jan-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 7	Minute - Finance Department, Griffiths / Jewkes	24-Jan-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
8	Record of meeting on 11 January	18-Jan-78	Partially engaged	Engaged	Partially exempt under

	1978				section 27 and exempt in full under section 29
8A	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford	24-Jan-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
9	File note - Dependent Territories Adviser, Posnett / Carter	25-Jan-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
10	Departmental minute, Carter / Munro	26-Jan-78	Not engaged	Majority of document is not exempt; the only exception to this is the final sentence.	Disclose, with the exception of the final sentence which can be redacted on the basis of section 29.
11	Signed - Treasury Chambers, Ballard / Carter	27-Jan-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29

Enc with 11	Treasury Chambers, Ballard / Carter	27-Jan-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
12	TO Treasury Solicitor Brickford / Munrow	31-Jan-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
Enc with 12	Draft - Treasury Solicitor Brickford / Munrow	31-Jan-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
13	File note - Legal Advisers Bickford / Rosling	31-Jan-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
14	TO Treasury Munro / Ballard	02-Feb-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
15	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford	10-Feb-78	Not engaged	Not engaged.	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 15	Draft letter to Bernard Sheridan & Company		Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
Enc with 15	File note	13-Feb-78	Not engaged	Not engaged.	Needs to be disclosed

16	Submission - Munro / Graham	20-Feb-78	Partially engaged	Engaged	Partially withheld under s27 and withhold in full under s29
17	TO Treasury Solicitor Munro / Munrow	22-Feb-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
18	TO Port Louis Tel No 025	28-Feb-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
19	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bernard Sheridan & Company	23-Feb-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
20	TO Port Louis Tel No 026	28-Feb-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
21	Port Louis Ward / Carter	03-Mar-78	Engaged	Not engaged	Exempt under section 27
Enc with 21	Newspaper cutting		Already disclosed to the complainant.		

22	File note - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Rosling	16-Mar-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 22	Draft - Submission		Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 22	Draft - Certificate by Permanent Under Secretary in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office		Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
23	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Carter	16-Mar-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 23	Copy - Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Carter	16-Mar-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
24	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Carter	17-Mar-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 24	Memorandum - categorises of documents		Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
25	Minute - Legal Advisers,	21-Mar-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be

	Freeland / PS, Permanent Under Secretary				disclosed
26	Minute - Finance Plater / Griffiths	17-Mar-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
Enc with 26	Memorandum - PS, Permanent Under Secretary / Munro	21-Mar-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
27	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Carter	21-Mar-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
28	TO Treasury Solicitor Bickford / Munrow	21-Mar-16	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
29	Washington, ref 063/530/1, Millington to Churchill, PM / ISO	29-Mar-78	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27 and 29.
30	TO Washington Gallagher / Millington	10-Apr-78	Partially engaged	Not engaged	Disclose, with the exception of the information identified

					in the confidential annex which can be redacted on the basis of section 27.
31	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Carter	21-Mar-78	Partially engaged	Not engaged	Disclose, with the exception of the information identified in the confidential annex which can be redacted on the basis of section 27.
Enc with 31	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Munrow	21-Mar-78	Partially engaged	Not engaged	Disclose, with the exception of the information identified

					in the confidential annex which can be redacted on the basis of section 27.
Enc with 31	Copy - message Diego Garcia to Todd, B.I.O.T Administrator	04-Jun-71	Engaged	Not engaged	Exempt under section 27
Enc with 31	Copy - message Diego Garcia to Todd, B.I.O.T Administrator	28-Aug-71	Engaged	Not engaged	Exempt under section 27
Enc with 31	Copy - message Diego Garcia to Todd, B.I.O.T Administrator	10-Aug-71	Engaged.	Not engaged	Exempt under section 27.
32	Treasury Solicitor L75/1331/RDM Munrow / Bickford	28-Mar-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
Enc with 32	Letter from Bernard Sheridan & Company	20-Mar-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed

33	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Carter	04-Apr-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
34	Treasury Solicitor L75/1331/RDM Munrow / Bickford	06-Apr-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
35	File Note - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Carter	07-Apr-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 35	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Munrow	07-Apr-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 35	Signed - Treasury Solicitor L75/1331/RDM Munrow / Bickford	06-Apr-78	Not engaged	Engaged.	Exempt under section 29
36	Treasury Solicitor L75/1331/RDM Munrow / Gallagher	11-Apr-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 36	Letter from Bernard Sheridan & Company	06-Apr-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
37	Minute - Gallagher /	14-Apr-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under

	Rushford				Information Commissioner's Office	section 29
Enc with 37	Copy - Minute - Gallagher / Rushford	14-Apr-78	Not engaged	Engaged		Exempt under section 29
Enc with 37	Draft - Port Louis Tel		Not engaged	Engaged		Exempt under section 29
Enc with 37	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Carter	04-Apr-78	Not engaged	Engaged		Exempt under section 29
Enc with 37	Copy - Treasury Solicitor L75/1331/RDM Munrow / Bickford	06-Apr-78	Not engaged	Engaged		Exempt under section 29
38	Minute - Gallagher / Plater, Finance Department	14-Apr-78	Not engaged	Not engaged		Needs to be disclosed
39	Minute - Finance Department, Plater / Gallagher	20-Apr-78	Not engaged	Not engaged		Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 39	Draft - additions to letter to Ballard, General Aid Division,		Not engaged	Not engaged		Needs to be disclosed

	Treasury				
40	TO Port Louis Tel No 072	24-Apr-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29
41	Washington, ref JEZ 243/1, Millington to Gallagher	24-Apr-78	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27 and 29.

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Folio No.	Document description	Document Date	ICO view on application of section 27	ICO view on application of section 29	ICO decision
42	Treasury Solicitor L75/1331/RDM Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	24-Apr-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 42	File note - Munrow	24-Apr-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 42	Copy of above two documents	24-Apr-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
43	TO Port Louis Tel No 90	26-Apr-78	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of sections 27 and 29.
Enc with 43	TO Port Louis Tel No 90	26-Apr-78	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of sections 27 and 29.
44	Washington, ref 063/530/1, Millington to Gallagher	01-May-78	Engaged	Not engaged	Exempt under section 27

45	File Note - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Gallagher	05-May-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
46	TO Treasury Gallagher / Ballard	09-May-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
47	Treasury Chambers, Ballard / Gallagher	11-May-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
48	Treasury Solicitor L75/1331/RDM Munrow / Bickford, cc Gallagher	01-May-78	Partially engaged	Not Engaged	Disclose with the exception of the information identified in the confidential annex which can be withheld on the basis of section 27.
Enc with 48	Copy of list of documents		Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
49	Treasury Solicitor L75/1331/RDM Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	12-May-78	Partially engaged	Partially engaged	Disclose with the redactions made to the information identified in the confidential annex
Enc with 49	Copy of list of documents		Partially engaged	Partially engaged	Disclose with the redactions made to the information identified in the confidential annex

50	Treasury Solicitor L75/1331/RDM Munrow / Bernard Sheridan & Company	18-May-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
51	Minute - Munro / PS to Mr Rowlands	30-May-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
52	Minute - PS to Mr Rowlands, Martin / Munro	02-Jun-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
53	Minute - Boniface / Rosling	06-Jun-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
54	Minute - Rosling / PS to Mr Rowlands	07-Jun-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
55	Port Louis Ward / Gallagher	25-May-78	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27 and 29.
Enc with 55	Port Louis Ward / Parfait	25-May-78	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27 and 29.
56	TO Port Louis Tel No 99	15-Jun-78	Engaged	Not engaged	Exempt under section 27.
57	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	21-Jun-78	Not engaged	Not Engaged	Needs to be disclosed

Enc with 57	Letter from Bernard Sheridan & Company	20-Jun-78	Not engaged	Not Engaged	Needs to be disclosed
58	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Gallagher	26-Jun-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
Enc with 58	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	19-Jun-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
59	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	04-Jul-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
Enc with 59	File Note - Munrow	04-Jul-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
60	Port Louis 040/1 Ward / Gallagher	06-Jul-78	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27 and 29.
61	TO Port Louis Tel No 113	10-Jul-78	Engaged.	Not engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 27.
62	Minute - Mansfield / Rosling	18-Jul-78	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27 and 29.
Enc with 62	Background note on Mansfield / Bishop Huddleston meeting	18-Jul-78	Engaged.	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27 and 29.

63	Letter - Bernard Sheridan & Company / Treasury Solicitor	26-Jul-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
64	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	27-Jul-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
Enc with 64	Draft letter to Bernard Sheridan & Company		Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
65	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Rushford	04-Aug-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
66	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Gallagher	03-Aug-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
67	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	23-Aug-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 67	Letter - Bernard Sheridan & Company	17-Aug-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 67	Invoice from Bernard Sheridan & Company	17-Aug-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed



Enc with 67	File note	17-Aug-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
68	Minute - Finance Department, Plater / Gallagher	30-Aug-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
69	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Plater, Finance Department,	13-Sep-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
70	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Plater, Finance Department,	14-Sep-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 70	Copy Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Plater, Finance Department,	13-Sep-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 70	Copy- Letter - Bernard Sheridan & Company	17-Aug-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 70	Copy- Invoice from Bernard Sheridan & Company	17-Aug-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with	Copy- Finance Department, Plater	30-Aug-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed

70	/ Gallagher			Information Commissioner's Office	
71	Minute - Finance Department, Plater / Gallagher	15-Sep-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 71	Copy- Appendix A zero rate schedule group 9		Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
72	Minute - Gallagher / Bickford, Legal Advisers	19-Sep-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
Enc with 72	Copy - Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Gallagher	03-Aug-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
73	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Gallagher	19-Sep-78	Not engaged	Not engaged.	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 73	Copy- Appendix A zero rate schedule group 9		Not engaged	Not engaged.	Needs to be disclosed
74	Minute - Gallagher / Bickford, Legal Advisers, Plater, Finance Department	26-Sep-78	Not engaged	Not engaged.	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with	Draft reply to HM Treasury on		Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section

74	Bernard Sheridan & Company			Information Commissioner's Office	29.
75	Letter - Bernard Sheridan & Company / Treasury Solicitor	24-Sep-78	Engaged	Not engaged.	Exempt under section 27
76	Minute - Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bernard Sheridan & Company	02-Oct-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
77	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	02-Oct-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
78	Minute - Gallagher / Plater, Finance Department	05-Oct-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 78	Draft Minute to Bickford, Legal Advisers		Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
79	Minute - Gallagher / Bickford, Legal Advisers	05-Oct-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
Enc with 79	Draft reply to HM Treasury on Bernard Sheridan &		Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.

	Company			Information Commissioner's Office	
80	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Gallagher	10-Oct-78	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27 and 29.
81	TO Treasury Gallagher / Brazier	11-Oct-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
82	Minute - Gallagher / Bickford, Legal Advisers	13-Oct-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
83	Treasury Chambers AEF 307/471/01 Brazier / Bickford, Legal Advisers	10-Oct-78	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27 and 29.
84	TO Treasury Gallagher / Brazier	17-Oct-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
85	Treasury Chambers AEF 307/471/01 Brazier / Gallagher	28780	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
86	Minute - Gallagher / Cashmore, Research Dept	19-Oct-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
87	Treasury Chambers Brazier / Gallagher	19-Oct-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.

88	Minute Economists, Hall / Gallagher [Can located on file]	01-Nov-78			Not contained in file
89	TO Treasury	02-Nov-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
90	Treasury Chambers AEF 307/471/01 Brazier / Gallagher	08-Nov-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
91	Minute - Finance Department, Plater / Gallagher	08-Nov-78	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
92	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	06-Nov-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 92	Copies - credit document		Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
93	Minute - LEB, Doggett [Query unrecognisable handwriting] / Gallagher	09-Nov-78	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Follo wing 93	Newspaper clipping - L'Express (Port Louis)	16-Nov-78			Already disclosed

Reference: FS50631529



94	TO Port Louis Tel No 173	20-Nov-78	Engaged	Engaged <small>Information Commissioner's Office</small>	Exempt under sections 27 and 29.
95	Port Louis Tel No 208	28816	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt under sections 27 and 29.

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Folio No.	Document description	Document Date	ICO view on application of section 27	ICO decision
96	Submission - Rosling / Munro	24-Nov-78	Partially engaged	Disclose with the sections identified in the confidential annex redacted on the basis of section 27.
Enc with 96	File Note	18-Nov-78	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed.
97	Port Louis ref 040/1, Ward / Gallagher	23-Nov-78	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 27.
98	TO Port Louis Tel No 210	28-Nov-78	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 27.
99	Minute - Temple / Munro	29-Nov-78	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 27.
100	TO Port Louis Tel No 175	04-Dec-78	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 27.
101	Port Louis ref 040/1, Ward / Gallagher	30-Nov-78	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 27.
Enc with 101	Building cost index		Engaged	Exempt on the basis

				of section 27.
Enc with 101	Low cost housing	28-Nov-78	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 27.
102	Treasury Solicitor, Munrow / Bernard Sheridan & Company	04-Dec-78	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed.
103	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	05-Dec-78	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed.
104	TO Port Louis Tel No 217	08-Dec-78	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 27.

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Folio No.	Document description	Document Date	ICO view on the application of section 27	ICO view on the application of section 29	ICO decision
77	TO Victoria Tel No 216	10-Oct-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
78	Minute - Legal Advisers, Bickford / Carter	30-Sep-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 78	Copy - Minute - Legal Adviser, Bickford / Munrow, Treasury Solicitor	30-Sep-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 78	Copy - Minute - Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	23-Sep-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
79	TO Victoria Tel No 126	12-Oct-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 79	Copy - TO Victoria Tel No 126	12-Oct-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed

79A	Port Louis 527/2 Ward / Bickford, Legal Adviser	29-Oct-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 79A	Newspaper cutting	29-Oct-77	Already disclosed.		
79B	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	02-Nov-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
80	Note - Bickford, Legal Adviser	27-Oct-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
81	Minute - Legal Adviser, Adcock / Munrow, Treasury Solicitor	03-Nov-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
Enc with 81	Copy of missing page 8 from a statement		Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
82	Minute - Rosling / Carter	10-Nov-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
83	Treasury Solicitor Munrow	08-Nov-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be

	/ Bickford, Legal Adviser			Information Commissioner's Office	disclosed
Enc with 83	Bernard Sheridan & Company / Treasury Solicitor	03-Nov-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 83	Copy of agreement between Chagos Agalega Ltd and Vencatessen	26-Mar-64	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 83	English translation - Petition to British Government		Engaged	Not engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 27.
Enc with 83	Copy - letter 32/1 British High Commission, Port Louis	11-Nov-74	Engaged	Not engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 27.
Enc with 83	Copy - Statement made by The Prime Minister, Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam	07-Nov-72	Engaged	Not engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 27.

Enc with 83	Copy - Document of identity	05-Oct-71	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 83	Copy of Summons in the High Court of Justice	22-Sep-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 83	Copy of Notice in the High Court of Justice	10-Oct-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
84	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	09-Nov-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
85	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	28-Oct-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
86	Minute Ewans / Rushford, Legal Adviser	11-Nov-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt under section 29.
86A	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	14-Nov-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed

87	Attorney General / Secretary of state for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs	18-Nov-77	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of sections 27 and 29.
Enc with 87	Two copies of page one from above letter	18-Nov-77	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of sections 27 and 29.
88	Submission Evans / Mansfield	23-Nov-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
Enc with 88	Draft reply to Attorney General		Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
Enc with 88	Draft reply to Chief Secretary to the Treasury		Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
89	Minute Rosling / PS Rowlands	29-Nov-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 89	Copy of Minute Rosling / PS Rowlands		Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed

Enc with 89	Draft reply to Chief Secretary to the Treasury		Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
Enc with 89	File note	25-Nov-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
90	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Graham	30-Nov-77	Partially engaged	Not engaged	Disclose with the exception of the information identified in the confidential annex which can be redacted on the basis of section 27
Enc with 90	Two Copies - Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Graham	02-Dec-77	Partially engaged	Not engaged	Disclose with the exception of the information identified in the confidential annex which can be redacted on the basis of section 27
Enc with 90	File note	02-Dec-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
90A	Minute Munro /	02-Dec-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be

	Kerr, PS PUS			Information Commissioner's Office	disclosed
Enc with 90A	Copy of Minute Munro / Kerr, PS PUS	02-Dec-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
91	TO Chief Secretary / Owen MP	05-Dec-77	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of sections 27 and 29.
92	TO Port Louis Carter / Brown	08-Dec-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
93	File note - Carter	07-Dec-77	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of sections 27 and 29.
94	Minute Carter / Cashmore, Research	08-Dec-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
95	Minute Research Department / Bickford, Legal Adviser	09-Dec-77	Engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of sections 27 and 29.
Enc with 95	Copy of Supply Estimates 1973-73	14-Feb-73	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
96	Minute pp Hamer, Carter / Bickford, Legal	12-Dec-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed

	Adviser			Information Commissioner's Office	
96A	Minute - Hamer / Bickford, Legal Adviser	12-Dec-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Enc with 96A	Draft reply to Washington		Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
97	TO Washington Rosling / Millington	13-Dec-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
98	Copy - Minute Research Department / Bickford, Legal Adviser		Engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of sections 27 and 29.
Enc with 98	Copy of Supply Estimates 1973-73	09-Dec-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Following 98	File note - Research Department / Bickford, Legal Adviser	15-Dec-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
Following 99	Copy - letter from Treasury to Overseas	20-Jun-72	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.

	Development			Information Commissioner's Office	
99	Treasury Solicitor Munrow / Bickford, Legal Adviser	14-Dec-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
99A	Bickford, Legal Adviser / Treasury Solicitor Munrow	14-Dec-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
100	Minute - Bickford, Legal Adviser / Rosling	15-Dec-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
101	Minute - Bickford, Legal Adviser / Rosling	14-Dec-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
102	Minute - Munro / Mansfield	15-Dec-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
Enc with 102	Copy - Munro / Mansfield	15-Dec-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
103	Minute - Munro / Mansfield	16-Dec-77	Not engaged	Not engaged	Needs to be disclosed
104	Treasury Chambers, Barnett / Owen	21-Dec-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.

	MP				
105	Minute - Bickford, Legal Adviser / Carter	16-Dec-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
Enc with 105	Copy of draft Amended Defence in the High Court of Justice		Engaged	Not engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 27.
106	Washington, Millington / Rosling	28-Dec-77	Engaged	Not engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 27.
Enc with 106	File Note	20-Dec-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
107	Minute - Munro / Jewkes, Finance Department	28-Dec-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
108	Minute - Munro / Rosling and Carter	28-Dec-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.
Enc with 108	Copy Minute - Munro / Rosling and Carter	28-Dec-77	Not engaged	Engaged	Exempt on the basis of section 29.