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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 891/24 SURRENDER AND COMPENSATION SCHEME

I refer to your request for information received by Cumbria Constabulary on 4th October 2024. I note you seek access to the following information:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information:

- 1. How many bladed weapons and knives have been handed into your force between 26 August 2024 and 23 September 2024.*
- 2. Of these, the number that qualify as a 'zombie knife' under the following definition:*
 - A blade of over 8 inches*
 - A sharp pointed end*

With one or more of the following:

- A serrated cutting edge over two inches long*
- More than one hole in the blade*
- Spikes*
- More than two sharp points in the blade.*

Your request for information has now been considered and I can advise you that Section 3(2) of the Freedom of information Act states information is held by a public authority if -

- (a) it is held by the authority, otherwise than on behalf of another person.

Data collated as part of the national Surrender and Compensation Scheme, which took place between the dates specified in your request, was done so on behalf of, and under the direction of, the Home Office.

In view of the above, I can advise you Cumbria Constabulary does not hold the information you seek.

You may wish to consider submitting a freedom of information request to the Home Office to ask for this data. For your convenience, I have provided an email address should you wish to pursue this course of action: foirequests@homeoffice.gov.uk



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Complaint Rights

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet, which details your right of complaint.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Cumbria Constabulary.



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