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03 March 2026

Dear ██████████

HMICS Freedom of Information Request - FOI.26.00006

I refer to your request dated 17 February 2026, under the freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA), for the following information:

“Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I request:

1. A list of all meetings between the consultancy firm Global Counsel and directors or senior civil servants within the authority in the time period 1 January 2022–present.

For each meeting, please also provide

list of attendees

full meeting minutes

any related correspondences, written, by email or orally delivered (if recorded).

2. All written correspondence between Global Counsel and directors or senior civil servants within the authority in the time period 1 January 2022–present. This includes letters and email.”

While our aim is to provide information whenever possible, in this instance HM inspectorate of Constabulary in Scotland (HMICS) can confirm we have not engaged with Global Counsel during the requested time period or any other period. Therefore, this is a formal notice under section 17(1) of FOISA that the information requested is not held by HMICS.

I trust this information is satisfactory for you, however, if you are unhappy with this response you may ask us to carry out an internal review, by writing to the address shown on this letterhead or by emailing HMIC@hmic.gov.scot. Your request should explain why you wish a review to be carried out and should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter. We will then reply within 20 working days of receipt of any such letter.

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You then have a right of appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner if you are dissatisfied with our internal review. The Commissioners website has a guide containing the full details for this process (www.itspublicknowledge.info) or they can be contacted via the following:

Scottish Information Commissioner

Kinburn Castle
Doubledykes Road
St Andrews
Fife
KY16 9DS
Tel: 01334 464 610

Yours Sincerely,

A large black rectangular redaction box covering the signature area.