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Office of the First Minister and Cabinet Office

Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Our ref: ATISN 11784
Date: 2 January 2018

Dear   ,

Request for Information – ATISN reference 11784- Investigation Documentation

Thank you for your request which was received by the Welsh Government on 30 November 2017. You asked for the following information:

> Welsh Government procedure/s to appoint to investigator James Hamilton into WG bullying claims. I would like to read all data pertaining to the choice of investigators and subsequent decision to appoint the investigator James Hamilton tasked with investigating claims of bullying and subsequent internal investigatory procedures used and applied in the Welsh Government 2014 - 2017.

As the Welsh Government had no arrangements in place for the First Minister to refer potential breaches of the Ministerial Code to an Independent Adviser, the Welsh Government approached the Scottish Government for details of their panel of Advisers. Two names were provided and James Hamilton was the first to confirm his availability. The terms of reference for the inquiry have been published.

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

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Cardiff,
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or

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However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely