

Confidential Annexes

The Confidential Annexes to the reports of the Intelligence Services Commissioner between 2010 and 2014 have been disclosed in redacted form. Some of the redactions have been made on the grounds of relevance and in one instance on the ground of LPP. Where text has been redacted for reasons of national security a gist has been provided, although this has not always been possible. Where a gist of the redacted text can be given it is set out in the table below.

Numbers of BPDs

A number of the redactions relate to text concerning numbers of BPDs held by the Security and Intelligence Agencies, disclosure of which would be damaging to national security. In respect of the same, however, the Respondents confirm as follows:

The combined number of BPD datasets held by GCHQ, MI5 and SIS is numbered in the hundreds. This total number is constantly fluctuating as datasets are acquired and deleted, but the trend over recent years has been one of growth in the number of datasets held. Many of the same datasets are held by more than one agency.

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33		See "Numbers of BPDs" above.
34	First paragraph	"analytical systems"
	Third paragraph, lines 3 and 5	"the analytical systems"
	Fifth paragraph (under "Secret Intelligence Service")	See "Numbers of BPDs" above.
	Final paragraph, lines 2,3 and 4	"the database"
35	First paragraph, line 1	"A number of" and "the database" respectively.
36	First paragraph, line 3	"relevant"
38	Second paragraph	See "Numbers of BPDs" above.
	Third paragraph, lines 1 and 4	See "Numbers of BPDs" above.
	Third paragraph, line 3	"the database"
	Fourth paragraph, line 1	See "Numbers of BPDs" above.
39	Second paragraph, point 3	See "Numbers of BPDs" above.
41	First paragraph	See "Numbers of BPDs" above.
	Third paragraph	"the main corporate BPD tool".
43	First paragraph, line 1	"protective monitoring"
	Second paragraph, line 1	"monitoring"
44	Third paragraph, line 1	"the database"
	Fourth paragraph	"SIS also undertake a daily random audit of staff access to the database. There is a daily automated audit feed which monitors certain search terms."
	Final paragraph	"A search may be made up of a

		number of individual queries. Audits are carried out on approximately 1% of queries. However, given that some searches are made up of a number of individual queries, the proportion of audited searches will be higher.”
45	First paragraph	See gist for page 44, final paragraph above.
	Table, row 2	“the database” and “on a new system” respectively.
	Final three paragraphs	“the database” on each occasion.
46	Third and fourth paragraphs	“the database” on each occasion.
47	Final four lines	“The Team audit access to data holdings. This will include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Monitoring for issues such as short HRA justifications - Random monitoring.”
49	First paragraph, line 1, second redaction	“the majority”
<i>2013 report of Sir Mark Waller</i>		
19		See “Numbers of BPDs” above.
20	Third paragraph, line 3	“the database”
	Fourth paragraph	See “Numbers of BPDs” above.
	Final paragraph	“the database” on both occasions.
21	Second paragraph (immediately under the heading “8.1.3...”) and table	See “Numbers of BPDs” above.
22	[Subject to further discussions between CTT and the Respondents]	
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24	First table	In FY 12/13, there was an increase of 175% in the number of justification requests issued in comparison with the previous FY. In FY 13/14, there was an increase on the previous year of 52%. In FY 11/12, 30% of the justification requests were random. In FY 12/13, 62% of the justification requests were random. In FY 13/14, 57% of the justification requests

		were random.
	Paragraph after first table (beginning "The increase in justification"), lines 4 to 5	"in the number of random requests"
<i>Letter and report of Sir Peter Gibson (2011)</i>		
4	Paragraph 8	"The Security Service acquires bulk datasets within the UK. It holds copies of UK Government-owned datasets eg. passports. It does not hold or seek data relating to medical records as it considers that the level of intrusion would be disproportionate."
5	Paragraph 10, line 1	"a fifth of staff"
6	Paragraph 13, line 1	See "Numbers of BPDs" above.
	Paragraph 13, line 2	"the database"
	Paragraph 13, lines 3-5	"(passport)"
	Paragraph 15, line 1	"Fewer than 15% of"
7	Paragraph 16, line 9	"the database"
	Paragraph 18, line 1, first redaction	See "Numbers of BPDs" above.

