

From: FOI
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FOI 120/18 - EC Communications with named Journalists - Response
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Dear [REDACTED]

Our Ref: FOI 120/18

Thank you for your email to the Electoral Commission dated **22 July 2018**.

The Commission aims to respond to requests for information promptly and has done so within the statutory timeframe of twenty working days.

Your request is in bold below followed by our response.

1. Under the FOIA, please release all correspondence with the following journalists since 2016.

- Isabelle Oakshott
- Raheem Kassam
- Michael Heaver

Our response is as follows:

We do not hold the information you have requested, this includes any correspondence with those individuals named above.

Isabelle Oakshott is on the Electoral Commission's press release distribution list. As a member of this list, press releases and statements issued by the Electoral Commission since 2016 have been sent to Isabelle Oakshott. Press releases and statements issued by the Electoral Commission can be seen on our website here: <https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/journalist/news-releases>

Neither Raheem Kassam nor Michael Heaver have been on the Electoral Commission's press release distribution list.

I trust that this information satisfies your request. The Commission strives to be an open, transparent authority.

If you are not satisfied with this response, please note that the Commission operates a review procedure, details of which can be found on the Commission website at: <http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/about-us/freedom-of-information-requests/how-do-i-make-an-foi-request>

Please also note that if you have exhausted all internal Commission review procedures and you are still not satisfied you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner. Details of this procedure can be found on the ICO website: <https://ico.org.uk/>

Yours sincerely,

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