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Official

By email to: [REDACTED]

Ref: FOI-280

31 July 2020

Dear [REDACTED]

1. Thank you for your email of 17 June 2020 in which you requested information from UK Anti-Doping ('UKAD') under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act').
2. Specifically, your request was as follows:

a. *What reseller do you prefer to buy your Software through?*

Response: We have no preferred software supplier; we work with a number of vendors and will look to obtain the best price for our software requirements.

b. *Are there any favoured frameworks you tend to use?*

Response: We make some purchases via G-cloud (Government digital marketplace).

c. *Who is the decision-maker for IT Purchasing?*

Response: An internal IT Governance committee.

d. *Who is your mobile phone provider?*

Response: O2.

e. *What Mobile Device Management Solution are you using and when is the renewal date?*

Response: Intune (March 2021).

f. *What Mobile Threat Detection do you have in place for mobile devices and when is the renewal date?*

Response: UKAD confirms that it holds this information but has concluded that it is exempt from disclosure, pursuant to section 31(1)(a) of the Act. The reasons for this are set out below.

g. *What Virtual Desktop Software do you have in place for remote workers and when is the renewal date?*

Response: UKAD confirms that it holds this information but has concluded that it is exempt from disclosure, pursuant to section 31(1)(a) of the Act. The reasons for this are set out below.

h. *Do you currently use a document security or digital rights management tool and when is the renewal date?*

Response: Azure Information Protection (March 2021)

i. *What are you using for instant messaging?*

Response: Skype for Business.

j. *Who do you currently use for your Annual IT health checks and when is your next one due?*

Response: Mandiant undertook the most recent assessment, if yearly the next due would be April 2021.

k. *What email exchange server are you running? Cloud or on-premise?*

Response: Cloud based O365.

l. *What antivirus software/tool do you use and when is the renewal date?*

Response: UKAD confirms that it holds this information but has concluded that it is exempt from disclosure, pursuant to section 31(1)(a) of the Act. The reasons for this are set out below.

m. *Do you have an incident response team within your IT department?*

Response: Yes.

The application of section 31(1)(a) of the Act to the information requested at parts f., g. and l. of your request

3. Section 31(1) of the Act states:

Information which is not exempt information by virtue of section 30 is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice –

(a) the prevention or detection of crime ...

4. UKAD has concluded that disclosure of the information requested at parts f., g. and i. of your request would be likely to prejudice the prevention of crime. This is because disclosure would be a risk to UKAD's cyber-security in the future, since it would make public information that could be used by any individual seeking to hack UKAD's IT system.
5. Having concluded that disclosure of this information would be likely to prejudice the prevention of crime, being the prevention of cyber-attacks, UKAD has gone on to consider whether the public interest nonetheless favours disclosure.
6. UKAD recognises the importance of transparency and accountability, including the advantages of public oversight of government systems and processes. UKAD also acknowledges that there is a public interest in ensuring that the data held by governmental bodies is held securely.
7. On the other hand, there is also a public interest in ensuring the continued effectiveness of the protection of data (including third party personal data) held by those systems. This is especially important given the sensitive personal data which UKAD holds, such as personal medical records.
8. Having considered the public interest arguments both for and against maintaining the exemption, UKAD has concluded that the balance of the public interest falls in favour of maintaining the exemption in this first instance.

Conclusion

9. If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your request and should be addressed to: Philip Bunt, Chief Operating Officer, UK Anti-Doping, Fleetbank House, 2-6 Salisbury Square, London EC4Y 8AE. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any further communications.
10. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

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