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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NUMBER: 272 2023

Thank you for your request for information regarding Operation Cube; which has now been considered.

Applicant Question:

'Please confirm if ACRO Criminal Records Office still holds records relating to 'Operation Cube'. By way of background, in November 2006 the ACPO set up a multi-agency group to consider and oversee reanalysis of all low copy number DNA samples analysed by the Forensic Science Service prior to September 2005, and this was referred to as Operation Cube.'

NPCC Response:

The NPCC does hold information captured by your request and I have pleasure in confirming the following records held by ACRO at the time of your request:

1. ACPO Criminal Records Governance Board Minute Extracts (x3 – 06/10/2008, 19/09/2009 and 11/05/2009)
2. Operation Cube National Gold Group Meeting Minutes (03/11/2008)
3. ACPO Criminal Records Office letter dated 12/12/2006 to Culham Science Centre
4. ACPO Criminal Records Office letter dated 05/12/2007 to Forensic Science Service Ltd
5. ACPO Criminal Records Office letter dated 22/08/2007 to Criminal Cases Review Commission
6. Met Police letter dated 09/12/2008 to Home Office Minister
7. ACPO Criminal Records Office briefing note dated 10/12/2008
8. Final Report to the Home Office Minister of State

Please note that the documents listed does not include draft versions.

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