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Yes this would still come under s21 as a direction for the link, however we would advise to use s21 (2) (a) in this instance – The information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment.

If the applicant then chooses to buy a subscription this would then be down to them, you will have just let

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**From:** Freedom of Information <foi@beds.police.uk>

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Many thanks for that.

Given the article in the Times is not freely available i.e. you need a subscription to the newspaper to read it – does that still count as a S21 ?

Many thanks

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Thank you for your update and attachments on what has been released.

Following the national position which remains supported by the policing leads (CRU 995/24) , we would advise that for forces who have officially confirmed the use of Palantir that you can cite s21 for any information already in the public domain, but will need to apply a partial NCND s24(2) and s31(3) in respect of any other information which may or may not be held.

With regards the specific questions asked concerning the German visit, some questions are not asking for recorded information, but opinions, these as you know will not be covered under the Act. With regards any information that is held, once known, if you have any additional concerns please come back to us.

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**Sent:** 07 March 2025 12:24  
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Good Afternoon

Unfortunately Beds can't use an NCND on this request as there have been 2 recent disclosures into the public domain about Beds' use of the technology, including the one referenced in the request [attached].

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**CRU Advice:**

Although the link provided [AI there, you're nicked! Tech is reshaping how we fight crime](#) is for an article in the New York Times, it is unreadable unless you subscribe to the paper on a paid subscription. A public domain search doesn't seem to pull up any further articles from a credible source.

With this in mind the national stance is still to NCND unless it is in the public domain.

**However, if your force has placed a formal disclosure regarding the use of Palantir technology into the public domain please let us know and provide us with a link to that disclosure so we can provide additional advice.**

If you have any further questions please let us know.