

**Information Management Section  
Criminal Justice Division**

8<sup>th</sup> June 2005

Dear XXXX

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: XXXX**

I write in connection with your request for information dated 18 May 2005, which was received by Greater Manchester Police on 23 May 2005. I note you seek access to the following information:

- **The number of deaths in custody/following police contact that have occurred in your police force from the 1 April 2001 to end of March 2005.**

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police to locate information relevant to your request.

The number of deaths in custody/following police contact up until March 2004 are exempt under Section 21 – Information accessible by other means, as these are already published on the Home Office website and are available from the following link:

[www.homeoffice.gov.uk/crimepol/police/system/custody.html](http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/crimepol/police/system/custody.html)

The figures for 2005 will be published in Autumn of this year and therefore are exempt under Section 22 – Information intended for future publication.

Complaint Rights

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet which details your right of complaint.

Yours sincerely