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Date: 12th April 2023
Our ref: GSA 860/23

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: GSA 860/23

I write in connection with your request for information dated 13/02/2023, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

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[REDACTED] On page 25, Chapter 13 on the 13th December of the Manchester Arena Enquiry transcript, Dr Wilkinson reveals that Hashem Abedi, in his confession states "I did it for Islamic State". The rest of his confession, however, has not been released due to it being "Islamic State propaganda". [REDACTED]
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I am therefore requesting that this confession be released to me [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate the requested information and I can confirm the information requested is held however I am not obliged to provide the information as exemption applies.

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires Greater Manchester Police, when refusing to provide such information (because this information is exempt) to provide you, the applicant, with a notice which: (a) states that fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption applies.

Exemption which applies to this request:

Section 32(2)(b) - Information held by a public authority is exempt information if it is held only by virtue of being contained in— (b) any document created by a person conducting an inquiry or arbitration, for the purposes of the inquiry or arbitration.

Section 32 is an absolute exemption so there is no requirement to carry out a public interest test.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice.

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