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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FoI) request received on 9 June. You wrote:

Request for Information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

1. *We are a law firm and act for Health Workers 4 Palestine ("HW4P"), a private company limited by guarantee (Company number: 15544250). HW4P advocates for the rights of Palestinian health workers, and its aims include ensuring that healthcare workers are protected and supported globally during humanitarian crises and armed conflict.*
2. *The purpose of this letter is to submit a FOIA request on HW4P's behalf, expeditious compliance with which is necessary for its vital work. The request is set out at paragraphs 4-5 below.*
3. *As set out below, in line with ICO Guidance we ask for a prompt response to this request, and note that in any case a response is required within 20 working days.*

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4. *Please confirm whether your organisation has (i) adopted or intends to adopt, or (ii) formally decided not to adopt, the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance's ('IHRA') definition of Antisemitism. Please provide the body (e.g. Board or named committee) which has made that decision and the date of that decision.*
5. *Please provide:*
 - a. *the email address of your organisation's Chief Executive Officer (or alternatively, the appropriate email address of the office of the Chief Executive Officer), and*
 - b. *the email address to be used for service of legal correspondence and proceedings on your organisation (e.g., the legal team's email address).*

MHRA Response

On this occasion we will not be processing your request further. This is because your request does not comply with section 8(1)(b) of the Fol Act, as we currently have concerns on the validity of the origin of the requests. It is highly irregular for a law firm to seek information under the Act through the What do They Know website regarding an ongoing case. To be helpful and confirm the legitimacy of this request we have attempted to contact Leigh Day several times on multiple on the phone but have been unsuccessful once being transferred by the main switch board.

As we still have doubts on the legitimacy of the origin of this request, we unfortunately are unable to move forward with any response.

If you would like to submit your request again that satisfies the conditions under Section 8, we will be pleased to reconsider it whilst applying the requirements of the Fol Act.

Yours sincerely,

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Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

Please note that there is no right to complain under the Fol Act where the Fol is deemed to be invalid under Section 8.

Therefore, MHRA will not process any complaints where the Fol is deemed to be invalid under Section 8 of the Fol Act.

The ICO also states that “An individual submitting an invalid request under Section 8 does not have any further rights of complaint to the Information Commissioner”. This statement can be viewed on the ICO website: [Recognising a request made under the Freedom of Information Act \(section 8\) | ICO](#)

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