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Dear

I refer to your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for information about police stations, which was received on 12 June 2008.

You asked:

- a) Please name the number of police stations disposed of by the MPA in the last 10 years.
- b) Please disclose the amount of money these stations were sold for.

I am able to respond as follows:

*a)* Please find attached a list of the Police Stations & Police Offices sold from 2000 to date. These are defined as police facilities at which members of the public may report a crime via a front counter.

A number of these sites were sold as part of a Private Finance Initiative. The paper outlining this strategy can be viewed at http://www.mpa.gov.uk/committees/f/2001/010220/17a.htm

Please note that 18 Safer Neighbourhoods (SN) bases incorporating Public Front Counters were opened between 2003 and 2007. This means that a total of 27 police facilities with front counters have opened since 2000 while 13 have closed, equating to a total of 14 more front counter facilities since 2000.

b) This information is exempt under Section 21 "Information reasonably accessible by other means". These details are available to the public from the Land Registry.

I hope that this response answers your questions.

However, if you are unhappy with the decision regarding your request for information you should write to me at the above address. I will arrange for an officer who has not had any involvement with this request to review our decision. If you are still unhappy after that, a further request can be made to the Information Commissioner, who will decide whether the request was dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act. Further information is available on the Information Commissioner's website: www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

