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Post: Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner -

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Post Designated No: P37/02

Date of Notification

03/01/2017

OFFICIAL SECRETS ACT 1989: NOTIFICATION NOTICE

I am writing on the authority of the Secretary of State to notify you that you are subject to the provisions of section 1(1) of the Official Secrets Act 1989.

What Notification Means

- 1. Under section 1(1) of the Official Secrets Act 1989, any disclosure about security or intelligence by a member or a former member of the security and intelligence services without lawful authority constitutes a criminal offence. This also applies to any person who is not a member of the security and intelligence services but who is notified by a Minister that he or she is subject to section 1(1) of the Act.
- 2. The individuals subject to notification are those whose work, in the opinion of a minister, is or includes work connected with the security and intelligence services, and is of such a nature that the interests of national security require that they should be subject to section 1(1) of the Act.
- 3. The Secretary of State has decided that the work of the post described at the head of this Notice falls within this category and that you, as its occupant, should be notified under the Act.

How Long Will The Notification Last?

- 4. The notification will remain in force for five years, unless revoked, in which case you will be informed in writing.
- 5. If, after five years, the nature of your work is such as to continue to require your notification, the notification will be renewed for a further five years.
- 6. Should you change post, this notification will remain in force, and you will continue to be subject to section 1(1) of the Act, unless informed otherwise.

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How This Affects You

- 7. You are guilty of a criminal offence under section 1(1) of the Official Secrets Act 1989 if, without lawful authority, you disclose any information, document or other article relating to security and intelligence which has been in your possession in the course of your work. This includes making any statement which purports to be a disclosure of information relating to security or intelligence, or is intended to be taken by those to whom it is addressed as being such a disclosure. The penalty on conviction for such an offence could be imprisonment for up to two years, or a fine, or both.
- 8. If your notification expires or is revoked, you will still commit an offence under section 1(1) of the Act if you disclose or purport to disclose any information, document, or other article relating to security or intelligence which has been in your possession in the course of your work while this or any other previous notification was in force.

OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION

This letter constitutes a notification notice served under section 1(6) of the Official Secrets Act 1989 that you are subject to section 1(1) of the Official Secrets Act 1989. You will have received two copies. Please sign the acknowledgement below and return this notice to me; you may keep the copy for reference. I enclose a summary of the provisions of the Official Secrets Act 1989 but if you do not understand what notification means, or wish to discuss your position under the Act, do not hesitate to contact me.

Rachel Scott Signed on behalf of the Secretary of State

Date 01/02/2017

<u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT</u>

I acknowledge that I have been notified under section 1(6) of the Official Secrets Act 1989 that I am subject to section 1(1) of the Official Secrets Act 1989.

Signed Date 13 /2 /17

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