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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

I refer to your recent request for information which has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

For ease of reference, your request is replicated below together with the response.

In relation to detectives investigating the murder of Nairn banker Alistair Wilson travelling to Nova Scotia, Canada to quiz witnesses, how much money was spent on the trip (I would like the information broken down for transport, food and accommodation)?

In terms of the specific detail requested the recorded following information is provided;

- i) Transport: Cost of four return flights from Scotland to Halifax £4405.64 Cost of Car hire x two vehicles in Halifax - £445.16
- **ii) Meals / Food:** At the time of request, Police Scotland are awaiting receipts from a third party and, accordingly, I must advise that in terms of Section 17 of the Act, this letter represents a formal notice that information is not held.

I would expect these costs to be finalised in the near future and can arrange to make this total available to you at the earliest opportunity.

**iii) Accommodation:** Cost of four hotel rooms in Halifax for 7 nights - £3824.00 (calculated at the exchange rate at the time)

If you require further assistance or are dissatisfied with the way in which Police Scotland has dealt with your request, you are entitled, in the first instance, to request a review of our actions and decisions.

Your request must specify the matter which gives rise to your dissatisfaction and it must be submitted within 40 working days of receiving this response - either by email to <a href="mailto:foi@scotland.pnn.police.uk">foi@scotland.pnn.police.uk</a> or by post to Information Management (Disclosure), Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH.

If you remain dissatisfied following the outcome of that review, you are thereafter entitled to apply to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months for a decision. You can apply online, by email to enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info or by post to Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner's decision, there is an appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.





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As part of our commitment to demonstrate openness and transparency in respect of the information we hold, an anonymised version of this response will be posted to the Police Scotland Freedom of Information <u>Disclosure Log</u> in seven days' time.



