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Dear [REDACTED]



Thank you for your request for information which has been considered under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

In your e-mail you stated: "When the United Kingdom used first-past-the-post for elections to the European Parliament, the Commission carried out four reviews of European Parliamentary constituencies. The reviews took place:

1. before the 1979 European election;
2. before the 1984 European election;
3. before the 1994 European election;
4. before the 1999 European election (these constituencies were never subsequently used as the European Parliamentary Elections Act 1999 mandated the use of proportional representation for European elections).

These reviews will have been carried out under the provisions of (1 and 2) the European Assembly Elections Act 1978, and (3 and 4) the European Parliamentary Elections Act 1993.

Please provide a copy of the reports for each of these four reviews."

The reports from the 1979, 1984 and 1994 reviews are in the public domain and can be accessed via the British Library. They can be contacted on 020 7412 7894.

However, in the spirit of the FOI Act we have taken the decision to send you copies of the reports. You will appreciate these reports were completed in a format unrecognisable from any modern computer software and as a consequence we looked into scanning these documents into a pdf format and attaching them to our

response. As mentioned in our response of the 4 April 2016, the 1979, 1984 and 1994 reports had supporting maps. However, these were simply too large to attach to any e-mail in a pdf format, which is why we asked for your postal address. It now transpires the actual reports are too large to attach to any e-mail and consequently we have sent you paper copies of the reports and the maps from these three reviews. Please note the 1999 review was not completed and no report was produced.

If you have any queries about the content of this reply please contact me direct quoting the above reference number on any communication.

Under the provisions of the FOI Act if you are dissatisfied with the response provided you may wish to ask for an internal review. The BCE has a reciprocal arrangement with the Boundary Commission for Wales and in this case you should write to:

The Secretary to the Boundary Commission for Wales,  
Ground Floor,  
Fitzalan Court,  
Cardiff,  
CF24 0BL

Email: [bcomm.wales@wales.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:bcomm.wales@wales.gsi.gov.uk)

If it transpires you are not content with our response or the internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the BCE. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

The Office of the Information Commissioner,  
Wycliffe House,  
Water Lane,  
Wilmslow,  
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