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Our reference: BVFOI/355/11 re Olwen Philipson

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

You asked for the following information from the Government Legal Department ("the Department"):

In response to my previous request for information, you stated, in your reply dated 15 December 2011, that you held two birth certificates which may relate to the deceased, one with a date of birth of 4 February 1914 and the other with a date of birth of 4 February 1916.

You stated that you had concerns stating that 'the division does not hold any information which indicates which of these represents the correct date of birth'.

I have acquired information from the 1939 census which corroborates the date of birth recorded on the death certificate.

Please provide details from this certificate regarding the full name and place of birth.

Your request will be dealt with by the Bona Vacantia Division ("the Division") under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The Division does not hold the information that you have requested.

You have stated that the Division holds two birth records which may relate to the deceased with dates of birth of 4 February 1914 and 4 February 1916 respectively.

That is not the case. The Division's response, dated 15 December 2011, to your request for information (under reference BV355/11), confirms that the Division holds information that the deceased's date of birth is either 4 February 1914 or 4 February 1916.

The two birth certificates held by the Division have a different name, date and place of birth from that shown on the death certificate and the Division has no information to indicate that these births relate to the deceased.

The Division does not hold a birth certificate with a date of birth of either 4 February 1914 or 4 February 1916 and does not, therefore, hold the information you have requested.