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Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

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

"I would appreciate any genealogical information you may hold that could assist in locating the deceased's relatives.

Christine Brogan - BV931956/172 (deceased is said to be born in Scotland but the birth is not found - could she have been known by other names)?

William Beaton - BV21317598/1 (deceased is said to be born in Scotland but the birth is not found - could he have been known by other names)?

Thomas David Bowman - BV931956/2 (birth of deceased, not found in Scotland. Is the d.o.b correct? Is he known by other names)?

William Graham Campbell - BV2041025/1 (birth of deceased, not found in Scotland. Is the d.o.b correct? Is he known by other names)?

Jamie Primrose-Ure - BV21104393/1 (birth of deceased, not found in Scotland. Is the d.o.b correct? Is he known by other names)?

Daniel Ross - BV2085306/1 (birth of deceased, not found in Scotland. Is the d.o.b correct? Is he known by other names)?

Frank Savage - BV2062314/1 (birth of deceased, not found in Scotland. Is the d.o.b correct? Is he known by other names)?

Sidney Swift - BV21413732/1 (birth of deceased, not found in Scotland. Is the d.o.b correct? Is he known by other names)?

David Taylor - BV2076550/1 (birth of deceased, not found in Scotland. Is the d.o.b correct? Is he known by other names)?

Keith lan Bright - BV21608404/1 (birth of deceased, not found in Scotland. Is the d.o.b correct? Is he known by other names)?"

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

The Division holds some of the information that you have requested.

The papers regarding the estates of Christine Brogan, Thomas David Bowman and David Taylor were put into storage. It has not, however, been possible to locate those papers despite an extensive search. We will



continue to try and locate the papers, but in the meantime are able to provide the limited information held on our electronic records.

In the estates of Christine Brogan, William Beaton, Thomas David Bowman, William Graham Campbell, Frank Savage, Sidney Swift and David Taylor no further names are known.

In the estate of William Beaton an incorrect date was recorded and the date should read 16/06/1949 this has now been corrected.

In the estate of William Graham Campbell an alternative date of birth of 09/06/1927 is recorded on file.

In the estate of Jamie Primrose-Ure we have an alternative date of birth recorded as 28/06//1929 and other names recorded are James Primrose-Ure, James Primrose Uri and James Woollard.

In the estates of Christine Brogan, Thomas David Bowman, Daniel Ross, Frank Savage, Sidney Swift, David Taylor the Division holds information relating to the date of birth of the deceased. This information can be found on the death certificate of the deceased. Certificates can be obtained from the local Registrar where the event took place or from the General Registrar Office (GRO), PO Box 2, Southport, Merseyside, PR8 2JD or by telephoning 0845 603 7788. Further details can be obtained from the GRO's website at https://www.gov.uk/browse/births-deaths-marriages/register-offices. The information is reasonably accessible to you by other means and is therefore exempt from disclosure under section 21 of the Act. This exemption confers absolute exemption from the requirement to provide information pursuant to section 1(1)(b) of the Act.

In the estate of Daniel Ross we have information on file regarding an alternative name however this information is exempt from disclosure under section 41 of the Act as the Division considers that the information was received in confidence, and that to reveal the information would constitute an actionable breach of the duty of confidence.

In considering whether disclosure would be an actionable breach of confidence the Division has considered whether there is a public interest in disclosing the information that would outweigh the public interest in keeping the information confidential.

There is a strong public interest in keeping confidential information that has been disclosed in confidence, and in this case there is no specific reason in favour of disclosure of the information. Disclosure would not protect public safety, nor would it expose wrongdoing such as misfeasance, maladministration, negligence or other iniquity on the part of the Division. In this case the Division considers that the public interest in keeping the information confidential outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.

Finally in the estate of Keith Ian Bright we do not hold the information requested.