

HOUSE OF LORDS
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Ref: HOLAC FOI 2025/16

16 December 2025

By email: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I am replying to your Freedom of Information request, which the House of Lords Appointments Commission (The Commission) received on 5 December 2025.

You requested:

Any information held within papers and files relating to the conferring on Lord Mandelson (Peter Benjamin Mandelson, Baron Mandelson) a peerage for life in 2008 relating to:

- (i) a relationship between Lord Mandelson and Jeffery Epstein including information concerning rumours thereof and*
- (ii) information concerning investigations undertaken into any relationship between Lord Mandelson and Jeffery Epstein and any conclusions of those*
- (iii) any evidence held within said files concerning a relationship between Lord Mandelson and Jeffery Epstein*

Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act) and following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that HOLAC does not hold any information in scope of this request.

If you are unhappy with this response to your request, you may write to the Secretary to the Commission to ask for an internal review by another person not involved with this request. Please note that we will not normally accept an application for internal review if it is received more than two months after the date that the reply was issued.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

Generally, the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Commission.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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Yours sincerely,

Secretariat to the House of Lords Appointments Commission