

Subject: Access to records relating to a campaign against the building of a plutonium plant at Dounreay (GD526/7/3/7).

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Information requested:

Access to records relating to a campaign against the building of a plutonium plant at Dounreay (GD526/7/3/7).

NRS Response:

A sensitivity review has been undertaken on GD526/7/3/7 by the Private Records branch of NRS. As a result of this, some information in the file remains closed due to sensitivity issues.

An exemption under section 38(1)(b) of FOISA applies to the information in part 2 of this file, which comprises a list of supporters and objectors of the plant in the UK and abroad, with addresses. Section 38(1)(b) of FOISA applies to the information in part 2 of GD526/7/3/7 because it is the personal data of third parties and disclosing it would contravene the data protection principles in Article 5(1) of the General Data Protection Regulation and in section 34(1) of the Data Protection Act 2018. This exemption is not subject to the 'public interest test', so we are not required to consider if the public interest in disclosing the information outweighs the public interest in applying the exemption.

Part 1 of GD526/7/3/7 is now open for public access and can be viewed in the Historical Search Room at General Register House, 2 Princes Street, Edinburgh, EH1 3YY. Further information is available on our website at:

<https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/research/visit-us/historical-search-room>.

Under section 25(1) of FOISA, we do not have to provide information if it is already reasonably accessible by inspection or copying, even if a payment has to be made for it.