

Statement made on behalf of: The Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis

Witness: Neil Hutchison

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IN THE MATTER OF: PUBLIC INQUIRY INTO UNDERCOVER POLICING

This is the exhibit marked NH/160609/3 referred to in Neil Hutchison's statement dated 9th June 2016

Table 1: Police Vetting Levels as defined within ACPO's National Vetting Policy for the Police Community

Police Vetting				
Level	Category	Relevant to:	Duration	Key Facts
Recruit Vetting	Standard	Police Officers, MSC	10 years	This is the standard level of vetting for all MPS employees. Permits unsupervised access to MPS buildings and standard access to IT systems. Permits frequent and uncontrolled access to police assets up to CONFIDENTIAL and occasional access to SECRET .
		Police Staff / PCSOs 30 Plus Scheme Officers retiring and becoming police staff Internal applicants changing employment group or contract Transferees & rejoiners		
Management Vetting	Enhanced	Designated posts	7 years	This is an enhanced level of vetting for staff requiring long term, frequent and uncontrolled access to police assets up to SECRET and TOP SECRET . Or individuals in a position to directly or indirectly cause the same degree of harm. Annual Security Review is required. MV is a pre-requisite to SC and DV enhanced vetting in the MPS. Applicants who choose not to undertake the procedure cannot be considered for appointment to a designated post.
NPPV Level 1	Basic	Designated Non Police Personnel posts only with minimum access requirements.	1 year	Permits limited / infrequent access to MPS buildings. Does not entitle the holder to have access any protectively marked assets.
NPPV Level 2	Standard	Non Police Personnel	3 years	Permits unsupervised access to MPS buildings. Permits access to police assets up to CONFIDENTIAL , with occasional access to SECRET assets .
NPPV Level 3	Enhanced	Designated Non Police Personnel posts only requiring enhanced access to MPS Assets.	5 years	Permits unsupervised access to MPS buildings. Permits access to police assets up to Secret , with occasional access to Top Secret assets .

Table 2: National Security Vetting Levels as defined within the National Security Policy Framework.

National Security Vetting					
Level	Category	Relevant to:	Duration	Key Facts	
CTC (Counter Terrorism Check)	Standard	All direct MPS employees. All staff, including NPP requiring access to designated buildings.	10 years (3 years for NPP)	Permits regular access up to UK CONFIDENTIAL assets and permits occasional access to UK SECRET assets . Or individuals in a position to directly or indirectly cause the same degree of damage.	
SC (Security Check)	Enhanced	Designated posts	7 years (5 years for NPP)	For posts requiring long-term, frequent and uncontrolled access to UK SECRET assets and / or occasional supervised access to UK TOP SECRET assets . Or individuals in a position to directly or indirectly cause the same degree of damage. MV is a prerequisite to SC in the MPS. Annual Security Review is required.	
DV (Developed Vetting)	Enhanced	Designated posts	7 years (5 years for NPP)	For posts requiring frequent and uncontrolled access to UK TOP SECRET assets or require access to UK TOP SECRET codeword material . Or individuals in a position to directly or indirectly cause the same degree of damage. MV is a prerequisite to DV in the MPS. Annual Security review is required.	