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Subject: Internet connection records

This request asked for the SFO's guidelines on the use of internet connection records.

The SFO does not currently hold such guidelines, however a draft code of practice on the use of communications data including internet connection records was published for consultation alongside the Investigatory Powers Act by the Home Office in October 2016 and is available here: www.gov.uk/government/publications/investigatory-powers-bill-codes-of-practice

Guidance on the use of internet connection records is given on pages 53-55. The next version of this may be published for public consultation in March 2017.

The code is being developed for use by relevant public bodies in line with developments in investigative procedures involving the internet arising from the new powers of the Act.
