



Claim No. AC-2025-LON-004716

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

KING'S BENCH DIVISION

ADMINISTRATIVE COURT

BEFORE THE HON. MR JUSTICE CHAMBERLAIN

B E T W E E N:

THE KING

on the application of

(1) UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND

(an unincorporated association, acting by ADRIAN MARSH)

(2) THE ORDER OF WOMEN FREEMASONS

(an unincorporated association, acting by JEAN MICHELE KNIGHT)

**(3) HFAF LIMITED (O/A THE HONOURABLE FRATERNITY OF ANCIENT
FREEMASONS)**

(4) FSK

(5) IPS

Claimants

-and-

THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE OF THE METROPOLIS

Defendant

ORDER

UPON the Claimant's claim (as amended) challenging the Defendant's decisions of 18 November 2025 and 30 January 2026;

AND UPON the Court having made interim withholding and reporting restriction orders ("the Anonymity Orders") in respect of the Fourth and Fifth Claimants on 2 and 29 January 2026;

AND UPON hearing counsel for the Claimants and counsel for the Defendant at a hearing on 11 February 2026;

AND UPON the Claimants withdrawing Ground 7 of their claim;

AND UPON the Court handing down judgment on 17 February 2026 (neutral citation [2026] EWHC 330 (Admin));

IT IS ORDERED as follows:

1. The Claimants' application for permission to apply for judicial review is refused in respect of all remaining grounds (Grounds 1–6 and 8).
2. The Claimants' application for interim relief is refused.
3. The Claimants must pay the Defendant's costs, to be subject to detailed assessment if not agreed and paid within 21 days of agreement or assessment.
4. The Fourth and Fifth Claimants may make any written submissions on the continuation of the Anonymity Orders by 4pm on 27 February 2026.
5. The Defendant may make any written submissions in response by 4pm on 5 March 2026.
6. The papers are to be referred to Mr Justice Chamberlain to decide whether to continue the Anonymity Orders.

17 February 2026

BY THE COURT