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REQUEST

Has SYP ever proceeded with an harassment prosecution without the support of the victim.

If obtaining this information would exceed the cost limit, please just provide the data for 2010.

To confirm, how many harassment prosecutions have been brought in SYP and how many of those were proceeded with without the support of the victim?

RESPONSE

I approached our Performance and Governance Department for assistance with your request. The Data Returns Officer has provided the enclosed data and the following explanation regarding her search criteria.

We have provided a count of offences recorded for the following Home Office Offence classes where the offence with a victim and recorded on CMS(ii) Crime register between 01-Jan-1997 and 04-Dec-2017 and for CONNECT Crime between 05-Dec-2017 to date.

8L – HARASSMENT

8M – RACIALLY OR RELIGIOUSLY AGGRAVATED HARASSMENT

*However, we cannot provided details of prosecution data as this not held on the crime systems, and we cannot readily identify offences which were **proceeded with without the support of the victim**. The circumstances of each offence would have to be reviewed and given the number of offences recorded, this would not be possible within 18 hours*