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**REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/01191**

I write in connection with your request for information received on 2nd March. I note you seek access to the following information:

**FOI Request One: Could you please supply me with statistics on the number of people who were the victim of a crime in the Hertfordshire area who were subsequently reported to the Home Office for immigration purposes in the year 2017?**

**FOI Request Two: Further could you also supply statistics on the number of people who were witnesses to crimes in the Hertfordshire area who were subsequently reported to the Home Office for immigration purposes in the year 2017?**

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (The Act) to handle all requests in a manner that is blind to the identity of the requestor. Any information released in response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore, in the public domain without caveat.

Following enquiries within the Constabulary please see our response below.

**Response** – Following enquiries within the Constabulary please see our response below;

Hertfordshire Constabulary does not require its officers and staff to report victims and/or witnesses of crime to Home Office Immigration Enforcement (HOIE) on a routine basis.

It would not be routine practice at an operational level, and outside of an overarching policy. However, and as with any other offence, reporting or liaising with HOIE could occur in circumstances where an immigration matter is discovered or disclosed during an investigation, or where the individual concerned is also a suspect. In the latter case, and where the subject is a foreign or dual national, an international criminal history check would be carried out which, if serious offences were uncovered, and could lead to a Home Office referral.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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Hertfordshire Constabulary provides you the right to request an independent review of this response under its review procedure. If you require such a review you must notify us within two months from the date of this letter. After lodging a complaint with Hertfordshire Constabulary if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you may make an application to the Information Commissioner. For information on how to make a complaint please visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> or contact them on 0303 123 1113.