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REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/05129

I write in connection with your request for information received on 12th September. I note you seek access to the following information:

**Under the Freedom of Information Act please can I request information about:
How many crimes in the last five years have included the word vegan? Please specify whether it was an attack on a vegan or an attack by a vegan?
Please can you give a break down of statistics of each individual year?**

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 – Hertfordshire Constabulary has conducted a search for crimes including the word “vegan” within the text. However our system does not record if it was an attack on a vegan or by a vegan. Due to a new crime recording system being implemented we can only provide data up to 22nd May 2018 as our new system cannot produce reports. Please see the below table detailing the information you have requested.

Crimes with "vegan"	DATE			Grand Total
	2013	2017	2018	
ASSAULT			1	1
DAMAGE		14		14
ROBBERY	1			1
Grand Total	1	14	1	16

The numerical data presented in this response is an un-audited snapshot of un-published data sourced from "live" systems and is subject to the interpretation of the original request by the individual extracting the data.

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.