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REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/05456

I write in connection with your request for information received on 27th September. I note you seek access to the following information:

I wish to request the following information under the freedom of information Act.

1) Please can you tell me, for each of the last five calendar years, including this one, how many ATMs / cash machines have been broken into, or attempts have been made to be break into them. Please can this be broken down by year? I am not interested in distraction thefts, where cash has been stolen when someone is using the ATM, but where machinery, tools etc have been used to try to remove the machine from the wall.

2) If possible, for each case, can you tell me how much was stolen; the damage caused and the outcome, including any arrests

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 – In response to the above request using a free text search on ATM/Cash Machine there have been 3 recorded crimes in the time given. 1 each in 2014, 2017 and 2018. From the free text I am unable to say whether the offenders have tried to remove the machine from the wall but in all 3 cases there has been damage to the front of the ATM and the surrounding structures. In the property field there is no mention of how much was stolen and in all 3 offences there were no arrests made.

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.