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**REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/05491**

I write in connection with your request for information received on 28th September. I note you seek access to the following information:

**I would like to know the following information:**

- 1. How many specialist fraud and cyber-crime investigators does the force have?**
- 2. Has the number investigators increased or decreased over the past two years?**
- 3. If so, how has the number changed in each of the past two years?**

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 the Herts Serious Crime Department, there is a Serious Fraud and Cyber Unit comprising of 17 Officers (16.47 FTE). This is an increase in Officers compared to the same time 2 years ago when the Serious Crime Department had 12 Officers (11.11 FTE) posted to what was then known as the Cyber & Financial Investigation Unit. These figures do not include police staff who carry out a number of support roles within the unit.

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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