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**Our ref:** FOI/24/012738/Q

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: FOI/24/012738/Q**

I write in connection with your request for information dated 05/06/2024, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

***1) Do you record/ count the forced removal of religious headwear during searches (e.g. for the purposes of review)?***

***2) How many complaints have you had about the forced removal of religious headwear in 2022 and 2023?***

**Result of Searches**

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate the requested information and I can confirm the information requested is held by GMP.

**Question 1**

The relevant information is recorded on GMPs records management system which has the capacity for a free text box to fill any relevant details. To obtain this information manual keyword searches would need to be conducted.

**Question 2**

There have been 0 complaints in 2022/23 relating to the removal of religious headwear linked to a stop search.