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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/014001/L

I write in connection with your request for information dated 20/01/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

I would like to request data on the number of arrests your police force has made in the calendar years 2015 to 2024, by nationality group and type of offence.

Part 1

Please provide the total number of arrests for British and foreign nationals in each calendar year. Where somebody has dual citizenship, please count them as a British national.

For example, one cell in the response would be the number of foreign nationals arrested in calendar year 2019.

Part 2

If possible, please also provide figures on arrests of British and foreign nationals broken down by the following offence types: violence; theft; robbery; drugs; sexual offences; fraud; immigration offences; other.

For example, one cell in the response would be the number of foreign nationals arrested for theft offences in the calendar year 2022.

For both part 1 and part 2 of my request, if you are unable to provide data back to 2015, please provide it as far back as possible, starting with calendar year 2024.

Result of Searches

Greater Manchester Police (GMP) does not hold the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format. To provide the information you have requested would need a search on nationality then offence type and then go into the actual custody record to check if it's the correct nationality i.e. dual nationality.

Therefore, we anticipate that to comply with the whole of your request the process would take over 18 hours' work which exceeds the appropriate limit of £450.00, the amount to which we are legally required to respond.

As per section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the cost of providing you with the information is therefore above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice.

GMP is obligated, pursuant to section 16(1) of the Act to provide you with advice and assistance on refining your request to bring compliance within the fees limit. In order for the force to keep this within the fees limit, the information that you are requesting will need to be reduced to a greatly reduced time period. The resulting response cannot be guaranteed at this point as it will be dependent upon the number of records that fall within the scope of any new request, as they would still have to be manually assessed.

Should you wish to refine and resubmit your request in line with the advice above please respond to freedomofinformation@gmp.police.uk